

TO THE FUTURE FROM THE PAST

By Anikba Ahmed

As the last exhilarating month finishes with the outgoing student council giving us the most-awaited Infinity, we contemplate back on the events and a hello to the incoming council

The echoes of Infinity 2025 still reverberate through Woxsen University, with the student body sweeping up in a grand spectacle of energy and entertainment. The Infinity event has always been the crown jewel of the university's social calendar, a pulsating blend of club stalls, car expos, skill workshops, and star-studded performances. This year was no exception, with a lineup that included a glamorous prom night, a stand-up performance by Phani Acharya,



Student council members at Infinity'25. Photograph by Creatives.

and a closing concert featuring Varun Jain and the electrifying Kalakari Band.

Enter the newly elected student council. Who also witnessed all behind the scenes with the previous student council. Woxsen

has chosen its next set of leaders: President Pranjal Das, Senior Vice President Chris Joe, Treasurer Millennium Namoiyam, and Secretary Gudipally Lohith Reddy. To them, this tenure begins with the challenge of not only upholding

the legacy of events like Infinity but redefining their impact.

The scale of Infinity'25 and the previous works of the student council were undoubtedly expanded. While it was bigger and better, as the confetti settled and the

excitement subsided, one question lingered: Was Infinity 2025 truly a step forward or merely a pricier version of the past? Many attendees noted a striking similarity between this year's Infinity and previous editions—a sense of déjà vu.

These are a few reflections left behind by the outgoing student council, who worked tirelessly to bring the event to life. Their efforts were commendable, yet the challenge remains: How can Infinity evolve beyond just spectacle?

The stage is set, the baton has been passed, and the future waits for its answer

Check out the Infinity coverage in the upcoming pages

NAV-VAYU puts India on Global Stage with Climate Change Innovation

In a groundbreaking achievement, students from Bachelor of Architecture have made Woxsen University and India proud by winning the prestigious Climate Tank Accelerator 2024, organized by Seeds of Peace and Beyond the Classroom (BTC) Education, funded by the U.S. Department of State. Their project, NAV-VAYU, a passive air filtration device for sustainable air purification, earned them a fully funded U.S. fellowship and \$1,200 in funding.

The Climate Tank Accelerator 2024 empowers South Asian university students to drive climate action through sustainability education, regional initiatives, and advocacy for marginalized communities. It provides young leaders with mentorship and resources to pioneer environmental solutions. The students were guided by Punit Gandhi, Shweta Patole, Priyank Badola, Piyush Pandya, and Dean Sonia Gupta, along with faculty members who played a crucial role in their success.

During their U.S. fellowship, the team engaged with policymakers and climate leaders, including U.S. Senators Peter Welch and Cory Booker, Ali Zaidi (Former National Climate Advisor), Michael O'Neil (Former Obama Administration Chief of Staff), Claire Moser



Bachelor of Architecture students in US for Nav-Vayu project. Photograph by Creatives

(Climate Power), Joshua Amponsem (Youth Climate Fund), and Anna Fitzgibbon (Outgrowth). These discussions enhanced their understanding of climate policies and youth-led advocacy.

Their experiential learning included visits to Vanderbilt University, a LEED Gold-certified campus, and Caney Fork

Farms, where they studied sustainable architecture and regenerative farming. They participated in a negotiation workshop by Harvard Law School's Robert Bordone, a Climate Action Workshop by Jay Snyder (Founder, Open Hands Initiative), and a VIP tour of U.S. Capitol Hill, gaining insights into governance and policy-making.

Their achievement reinforces the university's commitment to research, innovation, and social responsibility. Their journey serves as an inspiration for future leaders in climate activism, proving that youth-led solutions can drive meaningful change. Congratulations to the team for this outstanding accomplishment!

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Is the World Ready for the Empowered Woman Era?

For centuries, women fought for a future where they could lead, speak, and exist without restrictions. The landscape has changed significantly, with women stepping into leadership roles, breaking societal barriers, and reshaping industries. Yet, as gender dynamics shift, an important question arises: Is this truly the era women envisioned? Are men truly ready for the shift? And if empowerment is real, why do we still fight for basic rights?

On 8th March, Woxsen Times created a space and sparked a dialogue among students by sharing a questionnaire link, inviting them to share their perspectives anonymously. The following are some of the top responses and their anonymous names:

1- What's equality in this new gender-equal era, according to you?

"It's fostering mutual understanding through active listening, ensuring peace and humanity in the world."

-Sai

"Equality today isn't about balancing the scales—it's about redesigning them. In the past, gender equality meant providing the same opportunities for all. Now, it embraces diversity, choice, and individuality instead of forcing everyone into the same mold. Masculinity and femininity aren't opposites but parts of a broader human experience."

-Venus

I think it extends beyond basic rights to issues like agency, identity, and intersectionality. The focus shifted from equality to equity—ensuring everyone gets what they need. Equality gives the same shoes; equity ensures they fit accordingly."

-Nazneen

2- Women Balancing Leadership & Home: Burden or Reality?

"It's unfair! Yet, many women don't even realize when they start juggling multiple roles. The mindset is deeply ingrained, as societal norms have long defined these responsibilities as theirs."

-Sai

"In Australia, women earn only 78 cents for every dollar earned by men and face slower promotion rates. This disparity extends to other incentives, contributing significantly to the pay



Pic Source: Pinterest

gap. Despite similar career ambitions between genders, women feel more restricted by factors such as lack of flexibility and training time"

-Ann

3- Are today's men threatened or optimistic about gender shifts?

"Both. It is largely depending on the understanding they have about gender and it's beauty."

-Ann

"Men around me who are optimistic are not afraid about losing power, but about gaining freedom from outdated expectations. They feel change isn't a loss; it's a chance for growth and broader possibilities for all."

-Venus

4- If the world was ready, why are women still fighting for basic rights like safety, literacy, and voice? Now in environments like office, streets, homes and where not. Is empowerment real or just selective?

"At one side the class gap and brutality against women ratio is alarming and on the other side educated and atrocities on women ratio is also frightened too! It appears selective—privileged women may have more opportunities, but many still face systemic barriers. Underprivileged women may not have opportunities, but still face financial barrier."

-Ann

5- Gender Equality: Genuine Support or Social Pretense?

"Many men and institutions publicly endorse it, yet deep-rooted biases persist. Some men genuinely champion equality, while others perform allyship to avoid criticism rather than drive real change. The backlash against gender inclusivity in some circles suggests resistance to shifting power dynamics, reinforcing the idea that empowerment is still conditional and selective."

-Venus

"I believe change takes time. The world is learning, and so are we. Genuine support may still be lacking, but I trust that equality and equity will one day become the norm, just as stereotypes once were. For now, even showoff support is a step forward, and hope keeps me going."

-Nazneen

Empower both genders to thrive beyond expectations: Prof. Pavana Kiranmai

By Mokshilba

Prof. Pavana Kiranmai Chepuri, a leader, lawyer and teacher at Woxsen University, believes women's empowerment comes from personal growth, choice, and breaking societal norms. She emphasises that true equality isn't about imitating men but having the freedom to choose.

She highlights how societal expectations, from traditional roles to professional success, often restrict women. However, opportunities without preparation can be ineffective. She also addresses challenges like the sexualisation of women in sports and criticism

from other women.

On feminism, she clarifies that its purpose was securing basic rights, not competition with men. She notes that while inclusivity is rising, some men feel excluded but should focus on self-improvement. Rural and urban differences in lit-

eracy, safety, and opportunities remain critical issues.

She advocates for emotional and financial independence for both genders and believes future laws should focus on fairness rather than bias. Facing criticism, she advises self-growth and supportive

environments.

Looking ahead, she envisions Woxsen University as a hub of innovation and leadership, promoting education beyond job prospects. She urges individuals to create opportunities and awareness for a truly inclusive society.

Clash of Companies: Navigating Corporate Survival in a Bioweapon Crisis

By Charvi Ningala

World War II was one of the most tragic times for human society with such a horrible death toll that estimates range from 70 to 85 million people, but not many know that countries like the UK and Japan used Anthracis as a bioweapon during the war; there were no confirmed casualties from that, but as a bacterium, it can kill in a matter of hours after infection, if untreated. What if it were used as a weapon now?

This was the very idea behind Clash of Companies, held on 5 March 2025 in collaboration with Ignite and the Debate Club. The event had its participants play the role of corporate executives in a scenario where anthrax was used as a bioweapon, which is said to have unleashed factory shutdowns, cybersecurity breaches, and a crash in the trade market. What can they do to keep their Corporate standing post-crisis?

The main objective of this event was to showcase and judge the various business strategies proposed by the contestants while testing their



Debate club organised Clash of Clans in collaboration with Ignite club. Photograph by Creatives.

skills in logic and analysis. To make it more interesting, the plotline added in corporate sabotage through various crises like employee layoffs, company shutdowns, and so on.

As key representatives, they must choose whether to prioritize the company’s stability and growth over global cooperation. This is a

real-world scenario where anything is possible and preparation is the key to success. As participants, it is a great way to learn crisis management at the corporate level along with team building. It is a great opportunity among the festivities held during the Infinity Fest and a job well done by all those involved.

Autoexpo showdown thrills Woxsen

By Kruth Aryan Kadam

Woxsen University’s annual fest, Infinity, reached new heights of excitement with its Auto Expo. The event showcased a stunning collection of cars and bikes, ranging from sports cars to luxury models. Students got an up-close look at powerful engines, sleek designs, and the latest innovations in the automotive world. But it wasn’t just about admiring the vehicles—thrilling drifting sessions captivated the crowd.

As night fell, the energy

soared with a breathtaking stunt show. Professional bikers left the audience in awe with high-speed wheelies, sharp drifts, and gravity-defying flips. Every stunt was met with thunderous cheers, creating an electrifying atmosphere. The roaring engines and flashing lights turned the night into an unforgettable spectacle.

With a perfect blend of speed, skill, and innovation, the Auto Expo and stunt show made Infinity a fest to remember.



AutoExpo roadsbow event at Infinity’25, Woxsen University. Photograph by Creatives.

Campus Security: The Unsung Heroes

By Sri G

A university isn’t just defined by its academics but by the silent protectors who ensure its safety. At Woxsen, the security team stands as a vigilant force, dedicated to maintaining discipline and order while fostering a secure environment for students.

During my interaction with the security department, I witnessed their deep sense of responsibility. Prashanth, Sir, the security officer, shared an instance: “One time, a few stu-

dents attempted to leave campus without proper approval. We took swift yet fair disciplinary action to reinforce a culture of accountability.” he continued. “Our duty is not just to enforce rules but to ensure that every student is safe. Discipline is not a restriction; it’s a shield that protects them.”

Assistant Security Officer Bhavani highlighted the rigorous safety protocols: “Every person and vehicle entering Woxsen is

thoroughly screened. Speeding beyond 20 km/h is unacceptable, and we conduct alcohol tests to ensure a sober and secure environment. I appreciate our team’s unwavering commitment to order and protection.”

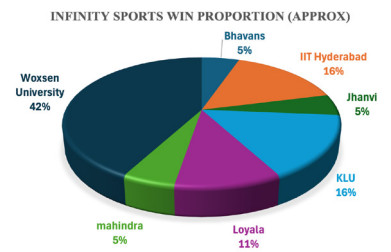
Their work goes beyond mere duty—it is a mission. The security team at Woxsen are the silent sentinels, ensuring that students can learn, grow, and thrive in a sanctuary built on vigilance, discipline, and care.

The Infinite excellence of Woxsen sports

By Mounika.D

The Infinity Sports Meet took place from March 1st to 5th, marking the 2nd edition of the Infinity Cup, an annual inter-college festival at Woxsen University. This exciting event welcomed participation from numerous esteemed colleges, fostering a spirit of competition and camaraderie among students.

The event was an exhilarating celebration of athletic talent, featuring 14 diverse sports! From the intensity of athletics to the strategic gameplay of chess, players from various colleges showcased their skills and passion. The atmosphere buzzed with excitement as Woxsen University emerged victorious in men’s basketball while Loyola University dominated the volleyball court. KLU University also shone brightly, claiming victory in badminton. Each match was a nail-biter, with competitors giving their all, making this event a thrilling showcase of sportsmanship and camaraderie. It was



Analytics of University and number of games they won. Pic created using Excel.

Noor-e-Iftar: A Celebration of Togetherness and Warmth

By Sai Vyomini Patamsetty

On March 27th, as the sun set, Noor-e-Iftar brought together people from all walks of life at the 1st & 2nd Floor, Oval, for a celebration of faith, community, and shared humanity. During Ramadan, a month of reflection, prayer, and generosity, moments like these transformed the act of breaking fast into a collective experience of love and connection.

In the midst of busy lives, Noor-e-Iftar provided a chance to pause and reconnect, not just with faith but with one another. The evening was filled with laughter and shared moments that highlighted the beauty of unity in a divided world. Attendees arrived with friends or alone and enjoyed a satisfactory feast of haleem and fruits. The evening

was made possible by a dedicated team from diverse backgrounds, working together to create an event that embodied unity.

Ramadan reminds us that true fulfillment comes not from what we consume but from what we give. Noor-e-Iftar was a testament to this spirit, where warmth, generosity, and togetherness shone brightly.

a day filled with high energy and unforgettable moments for athletes and fans alike!

The 2nd edition of the Infinity Cup at Woxsen University was a thrilling success! Talented athletes from diverse colleges came together in an electrifying display of sportsmanship, competition, and unity. As cheers filled the air, the event showcased remarkable skills and fostered a strong sense of community. With each year, the Infinity Cup grows more spectacular, leaving lasting memories and inspiring future athletes. We eagerly await the next edition!

Tax Track or Trap? Freedom Of Religion

By Mobammed Mustafa

Introducing the Income Tax Bill 2025 has sparked a heated debate in India, raising concerns over its impact on financial transparency and digital privacy. While the bill aims to modernise and simplify the nation's tax system, its provisions, particularly Clause 247, have drawn criticism for potentially infringing on citizens' fundamental rights. The question remains: Is this bill a much-needed reform, or does it pose a serious threat to privacy?

Taxation funds public infrastructure, with progressive taxation ensuring fairness. However, complex laws create loopholes for tax evasion. While the new bill aims for simplification, one of the most contentious aspects of the bill is Clause 247. It grants tax authorities the power to monitor individuals' digital activities if they suspect tax evasion. This could include accessing emails, social media interactions, and online banking transactions. The government justifies this move as a necessary measure to prevent financial fraud, citing the increasing use of digital channels to conceal income. However, critics argue that such unrestricted access could lead to abuse of power and unauthorized surveillance.

A debate on this issue was held at Woxsen University's Moot Court on March 20, 2025, organized by the Debate Club, too. Experts from academia, including Dr. Konrad Gunesch, Dean of the School of Liberal Arts and Humanities, and Prof. Atul Pandey and Prof. Sourav B. from the School of Business, served as jury



Income Tax Bill 2025 debate event. Photograph by Creatives.

members.

From a constitutional perspective, Clause 247 raises significant red flags. Article 21 of the Indian Constitution guarantees the right to privacy, a principle upheld in the landmark Supreme Court case Justice K.S. Puttaswamy (Retd.) vs. Union of India. Any law infringing on this right must be necessary and proportionate. Granting tax officials unchecked access to digital data violates this standard.

The other significant provision of the bill is harsher penalties for tax evasion. Some argue that the increased fines and stricter enforcement measures are excessive, but in reality, they serve a crucial role in deterring fraud. Tax evasion by wealthy individuals and corporations deprives the country of funds needed for development. If businesses con-

ceal half of their earnings, as seen in multiple high-profile cases, the government loses essential revenue for public welfare. Others argue that the ruling party, under the guise of tax enforcement, is monitoring messages and emails and diverting collected taxes as campaign donations.

Countries like the United States have successfully reduced tax fraud through stringent enforcement, and India is aiming to follow suit. Laws should serve the people, not intimidate them. A tax system should encourage compliance through transparency and trust rather than fear. If the government considers expert recommendations and understands public concerns, the Income Tax Bill 2025 has a lot of potential to become a landmark legislation—one that strengthens the economy while upholding democratic values.

By Mekala Chethana

Religion is a deeply personal experience, and people perceive it in diverse ways. Some believe in praying to idols, others value sincerity in prayer, and some see the Almighty as a natural force. However, these are beliefs, not facts. It's not about whom or how we pray—it's about what we believe in.

In India, followers of Sanatan Dharma worship the natural elements—air, water, sunlight, fire, and space—known as the Panch Bhutas. These elements are revered as they are essential for existence. Even non-living things are respected, as seen in rituals like Vahan Pooja during Navaratri, Ganesh Chaturthi, and Gudi Padwa. However, many remain unaware of the logical significance behind these traditions and blindly follow them without understanding their essence.

When it comes to deities, people worship Krishna, Baba, Allah, Rama, Jesus, Buddha, and many others. However, instead of seeking divine blessings, many engage in conflicts over religious beliefs. The tendency to impose one's faith on others often leads to unnecessary disputes.

The Indian Constitution upholds religious freedom through Article 25, which states that "all persons are equally entitled to freedom of conscience and the right to freely profess, practice,

and propagate religion, subject to public order, morality, and health." Article 26 further grants religious groups the right to manage their own affairs. Despite these provisions, religious conflicts have increased, overshadowing spirituality and disrupting harmony. Many lack true spiritual understanding yet remain rigid about religion, fueling division in society.

Ultimately, every individual, regardless of gender or age, has the right to choose their spiritual path without coercion. If we disagree with someone's beliefs, it is better to respect their choices rather than engage in conflict. Fortunately, there are still people who understand the difference between religion and spirituality and uphold mutual respect—we should be grateful for their presence in society.



“In this culture, you not only have the freedom to choose your god, but to create the sort of god that you can relate to.”
Saddhaka

Changing US Visa Laws: Impact on Indian Students and Immigrants

By Geetha Sabithi K

Recent Visa laws have caused a hassle in the US. With the changing laws, there has been mass deportation of Immigrants. Will these changes affect Indian students or exchange students abroad?

With the changing Visa laws and US colour coding Visas for a few countries, raising restrictions, there have been some major changes in the US. And upon that, the mass deportation only adds to it. While these laws are aimed at illegal immigrants, they might also have a significant effect on Indian students and residents. Many Students move

abroad seeking quality education and multiple job prospects. This is the dream of many students who go to the US on F1 study visas. While they do not face any imminent risk, the tightening laws on immigration and study visas planted fear in their heads. From racism, uncomfortable stares, and anti-immigrant sentiments, many students recounted their time back in India.

In 2025, India became a top source country of international students to the US, with nearly 331,000 students enrolled in universities. Indians also

accounted for 72.3% of the 386,000 H-1B visas issued in the US, a slight decrease from 77% in 2022. The recent debate on H-1B visas, which was trending on the internet, added fuel. The main point highlighted in the discussion was the high number of Indians working in the US. Trump's "America First" agenda has fueled growing resentment of foreign workers.

As of March 19, 2025, recent changes to US visa rules include stricter limits on F-1 student visa holders' time outside the US (maximum 5 months). The US government has considered

new travel restrictions for citizens from 43 countries. The first full visa suspensions were applied to 10 countries, including Afghanistan, North Korea, and Iran.

There was also an increased Visa administration process, and applications were being stranded and delayed for no particular reason. There might not be an issue if the visa was approved multiple times before. Complicating things further, the Visa can also be refused by US consular officers even after USCIS approves it.

Many students who work

part-time and low-wage jobs to fund their education face issues with the hostile work environment. They have expressed their concern about racism in their work environments. Students in non-STEM who are in Optional Practical Training are predicted to be more vulnerable to tightening laws. Also, the recent deportation of many students back to their countries for speaking pro-Palestine raises concerns, too. While Indian students are not particularly affected by the travel bans, there remains uncertainty among Indian students about traveling outside.

INNORISE 2025: Driving Innovation & Impact

By Trade Tower, Woxsen University

INNORISE 2025, held on March 18-19 at Woxsen University, brought together industry leaders, policymakers, and entrepreneurs to explore ethical leadership, sustainability, and startup strategies.

Key Highlights:

The event opened with a keynote by Shri Prasanth Nair, IAS, on governance and ethics. Dr. Dinesh Chauhan, PhD, CEO of Agribusiness & Innovation at ICRISAT, discussed climate-smart agriculture, while Prema Jaiswal provided insights on startup finance.

A major milestone was the MoU signing between Woxsen University and the Chief Compassionate Foundation, fostering ethical leadership. IAS officers engaged with Woxsen faculty, discussing governance and innovation.

Investors & Mentors:

Industry leaders, including Dr. Nanditha Setti (MD & Founder, TEZ), Sandeep Poddar (Co-founder), Emmanuel Murry (Caspian Equity, Investment Director), Vikas Katragadda (Nandi Ventures), Dr. Srija Katta (Just

ScaleUp), Guptaji (GREAT - Guptaji REbuild Accelerator Telangana), guided startups on scaling businesses.

Startup Competition Winners:

- Neuro Chord – First Prize
- \$ave₹ – 1st Runner-up
- Restate – 2nd Runner-up

With 23 participating teams, INNORISE 2025 fostered innovation, collaboration, and social

INNORISE 2025, Startup Expo organized by Trade Tower. Photograph by Creatives.

impact, solidifying Woxsen University's role as a hub for entrepreneurship. See you at INNO-RISE 2026!

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Empowering Well-Being Buddies: Mental Health Awareness & Response Training at Woxsen University

By Wellness Centre, Woxsen University

On March 12, 2025, Woxsen University's Wellness Centre, in collaboration with the Psychology Department (SOLH), conducted a Mental Health Awareness & Response Training for Well-Being Buddies—faculty and student representatives from various departments. Led by Dr. Kiran Rathore, Clinical Psychologist and Director of the Wellness Centre, the session aimed to equip participants with skills to recognize, respond to, and escalate mental health concerns, fostering a supportive and stigma-free campus culture.

Key Focus Areas:

- Identifying early signs of stress, anxiety, and depression.
- Practicing active listening and initial response techniques.
- Understanding when and how to escalate concerns to professionals.
- Establishing a peer and faculty-led support system for mental well-being.
- Faculty members and student representatives participated in interactive case studies, role-playing exercises, and discussions, ensuring they could confidently provide empathetic and

non-judgmental support.

Next Steps:

- Follow-up workshops to enhance mental health literacy.
- Continued mentorship for Well-Being Buddies.
- Expansion of peer-support initiatives across campus.
- This initiative reinforces Woxsen University's commitment to holistic well-being and a mentally resilient university environment.

For more details, contact wellness.centre@woxsen.edu.in.

Woxsen University Collaborates with CRC Press for Pioneering Publication

By AI Research Centre (AIRC), Woxsen University

The AIRC of Woxsen University, in collaboration with the Russell Bell Centre for International Relations, has joined forces with CRC Press, an imprint of the Taylor & Francis Group, for the upcoming book Decoding Global Marketing Decisions: Leveraging AI and Emotional Intelligence for Entrepreneurial Success.

Authored by esteemed scholars—Prof. Thomas Heinrich Musiolik, Dr. Hemachandran K., Dr. Raul Villamarin Rodriguez, and Prof. Dr. Jose Esteves—the book explores the integration of artificial intelligence and emotional intelligence in entrepreneurial decision-making. This new work builds upon their previous pub-

lication, Enhancing and Predicting Digital Consumer Behaviour with AI, and further underscores Woxsen University's commitment to cutting-edge research in digital marketing and consumer behaviour.

Dr. Hemachandran K., one of the authors, emphasized the significance of this collaboration, stating, "This book will serve as a valuable resource for entrepreneurs and business leaders looking to navigate the evolving landscape of AI-driven marketing strategies."

The publication is set for release later this year and is expected to make a profound impact on global business education.

Workshop on Global Excellence: Strengthening Woxsen's Global Standing

On March 20, 2025, the AIRC of Woxsen University hosted an exclusive workshop titled Strategies for Global Excellence: Enhancing University Rankings and Institutional Impact, featuring keynote speaker Dr. Ashwin Fernandes, Executive Director for Africa, Middle East & South Asia at QS Quacquarelli Symonds and CEO of QS I-GAUGE.

This highly anticipated session provided faculty members with strategic insights on improving university rankings and fostering international collaborations. Key discussions revolved around:

- Understanding QS World University Rankings Metrics.

- Strategies for enhancing subject-specific rankings.
- Institutional branding and global academic partnerships.

Dr. Fernandes underscored the importance of innovation and long-term vision, stating, "Institutions that integrate research, faculty development, and international collaborations will position themselves for sustained success in the global education landscape."

The workshop saw active participation from faculty members, researchers, and university leaders, highlighting Woxsen University's proactive approach to strengthening its global presence.

Woxsen University Introduces Quantum AI-Powered Chatbot for Enhanced Student Engagement

In a major step toward integrating cutting-edge technology in education, Woxsen University has launched a Quantum AI-Powered Chatbot designed to revolutionize student support services. Developed under the AI Research Centre, this innovative chatbot leverages advanced artificial intelligence to provide real-time assistance, answer queries, and offer personalized guidance to students.

The chatbot is programmed to enhance student engagement by streamlining academic inquiries, course-related support, and administrative processes. Utilizing Quantum AI ensures faster response times, more accurate infor-

mation retrieval, and adaptive learning capabilities tailored to individual student needs.

A university spokesperson stated, "This AI-powered chatbot represents our commitment to leveraging technology for an enriched student experience. It will serve as an always-available academic assistant, making learning more interactive and accessible."

This initiative aligns with Woxsen University's mission to integrate AI-driven solutions into education, reinforcing its position as a pioneer in technological advancements within higher education.

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School of Sciences

Faculty Publications

Dr. Ramakrishna Madaka has published a groundbreaking study in Inorganic Chemistry Communications titled “Effect of Nd^{3+} and Ag^+ Doping on Synthesis, Structural, and Magnetic Properties of $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{Nd}_x\text{Ag}_y\text{Fe}_{12-y}\text{O}_{19}$ NanoHexaferrite.”

The research focuses on synthesizing and characterising neodymium (Nd^{3+}) and silver (Ag^+)-doped $\text{SrFe}_{12}\text{O}_{19}$ hexaferrite nanomaterials, which exhibit enhanced magnetic properties. Utilising the sol-gel auto-combustion method, the study ensures precise control over particle size and composition, leading to energy-efficient production.



The findings suggest that these doped hexaferrites could serve as cost-effective alternatives to expensive rare-earth-based permanent magnets. Their strong magnetic characteristics make them ideal for applications in wind turbines, energy storage systems, and high-performance electronic devices, thereby supporting the transition to sustainable energy solutions. By improving the efficiency of electromagnetic energy conversion, this research marks a significant step toward developing advanced materials for green energy technologies.

Dr. Suman Chirra published a research article titled “An Investigation of the Characterization and Drug Delivery Potential of Ibuprofen Using Modified High Surface Area Porous Materials” in the journal Silicon (Springer Nature, Impact Factor:2.8). This study presents the synthesis, characterization, and evaluation of mesoporous silicamaterials—MCM-41, SBA-15, KIT-6, Core-Shell, and TUD-1—as potential carriers for the controlled delivery of ibuprofen, a commonly used non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID). Synthesized via sol-gel methods, these materials were systematically characterized using XRD, SEM, TEM, BET surface area analysis, FTIR, and TGA. This research contributes to the advancement of mesoporous silica-based drug delivery systems, offering improved bioavailability and controlled release for poorly soluble drugs like ibuprofen, with Potential applications in pharmaceutical nanotechnology.



Dr. Dipak Sahoo published a research article titled “Recent Advances in Synthesis and Photophysical Applications of Pyridine-Based Heterocycles” in the Asian journal of Organic Chemistry (Wiley, Impact Factor: 2.8). It explores significant developments in the synthesis and photophysical properties of pyridine-based heterocycles, emphasizing their applications in bioimaging, sensing, and optoelectronic devices. The study highlights the versatility of pyridine derivatives, showcasing their tunable emission wavelengths and enhanced

stability for various scientific and industrial applications. It discusses different fluorescence mechanisms such as turn-on/turn-off fluorescence, intramolecular charge transfer (ICT), and Förster resonance energy transfer (FRET), along with their role in detecting metal ions and environmental pollutants. Additionally, the review outlines the future potential of pyridine-based compounds in designing advanced optical and electronic materials.



Dr. T. Santhosh Kumar has published a patent titled “Advanced Porous Electrodes with Fluid Flow for Optimized Thermal Dissipation in Energy Storage and Conversion Applications” with application number Application No.202441088699. This innovation enhances thermal management in energy storage devices, including batteries, supercapacitors, and fuel cells, by incorporating fluid flow channels within porous electrodes. The design efficiently dissipates heat, preventing overheating and improving performance. By utilizing cooling fluids such as air or liquid, the system ensures stable temperatures, extends device lifespan, and enhances safety. Scalable for applications in electric vehicles, grid storage, and portable electronics, this technology offers a reliable and high-performance energy solution.

Dr. Sudarshana Santhosh Kumar Kothapalli published a research article titled “Study of Pd/MgO Catalysts for Furfural Alcohol Amination” in the journal African Journal of Biomedical Research (Scopus Indexed). Recent interest in catalytic approaches has focused on their efficiency in converting biomass into chemicals and fuels. Palladium-based catalysts are highly valued in the industry. This study systematically evaluates the structural and catalytic properties of palladium catalysts supported on MgO with varying Pd loadings. Catalysts with Pd loadings ranging from 0.5 to 6 wt % were prepared using palladium chloride as a precursor. Characterization techniques including XRD, BET surface area, analysis, XPS, UV-DRS, TPR, TPD of CO_2 , and CO chemisorption were employed. Results

showed that CO uptake, palladium metal surface area, and Pd density increased with Pd loading up to 2 wt % and then decreased with higher loadings. Furfural reductive amination over palladium supported on MgO catalysts showed an increase in furfuryl amine production with higher Pd loading. The relationship between palladium dispersion and furfural reductive amination activity was investigated.



Dr. Bidisha Roy Explores Light-Matter Interactions at iCOLD’25

Dr. Bidisha Roy delivered an invited talk at the International Conference on Laser & Other Deposition Techniques (iCOLD’25) at IIT Hyderabad on March 7, 2025. Her talk, titled “Manipulating Light-Matter Interactions in Plasmonics-Integrated 2D TMDCs,” showcased innovative approaches to enhance optical properties in two-dimensional transition metal dichalcogenides (TMDCs) using plasmonic integration.

2D TMDCs, known for their confined excitonic physics, present new opportunities

in photonics. By integrating plasmonic platforms, Dr. Roy demonstrated how the spectral overlap between excitonic and plasmonic resonances can fine-tune light emission. She also discussed how geometry-dependent plasmonic resonances provide precise control over the polarization of quantum emitters.

Her research offers valuable insights into manipulating light at the nanoscale, contributing to advancements in nanophotonics and quantum optics. The presentation was well-received, emphasizing the growing interest in plasmonics-integrated materials for future technological applications.

Dr. Ramakrishna Madaka Highlights Thin-Film Growth Mechanisms at iCOLD’25

Dr. Ramakrishna Madaka delivered an invited talk on Growth Mechanisms of Hydrogenated Amorphous Silicon Thin Films using Plasma Enhanced Chemical Vapor Deposition (PECVD) Technique at the International Conference on Laser & Other Deposition Techniques (iCOLD’25), held at IIT Hyderabad on 7th March 2025. His presentation explored the deposition of high-quality a-Si:H thin films, crucial for applications in solar cells and thin-film transistors.

Dr. Madaka detailed the role of plasma chemistry, process parameters, and substrate interactions in shaping the structural, optical, and electronic properties of these films. He emphasized the advantages

of PECVD in achieving uniform, high-performance films at low temperatures, providing key insights for optimizing manufacturing processes.

His talk sparked engaging discussions, fostering collaboration among leading researchers and industry professionals. His contributions at iCOLD’25 highlighted the significance of continued advancements in thin-film technology, inspiring further innovation in renewable energy and optoelectronic materials.



Woxsen University’s School of Science Hosts 5-Day Workshop on Generative AI for Future Entrepreneurs in association with MSME Hyderabad

The School of Science successfully organized an intensive five-day workshop on Generative AI for Future Entrepreneurs, equipping students and aspiring business leaders with cutting-edge knowledge in artificial intelligence and its applications in entrepreneurship.

The workshop, held from 19-02-2025 to 25-02-2025, featured hands-on training, expert lectures, and real-world case studies on leveraging generative AI tools for innovation, business strategy, and problem-solving. Renowned industry

professionals and academicians led sessions on AI-driven content creation, automation, and ethical considerations in AI deployment. Dr. Dayashankar, Dean of the School of Science, emphasized the importance of AI in modern business, stating, “Generative AI is transforming industries, and entrepreneurs must harness its potential to stay competitive. This workshop bridges the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical implementation.” Participants engaged in interactive projects, developing AI-powered prototypes and business models. The event concluded with a demo day, where teams presented their innovative solutions to a panel of judges. Woxsen University continues to foster a culture of

innovation, preparing students to lead in the rapidly evolving tech-driven economy.



School of Architecture and Planning

Architecture Students Explore Vernacular Heritage in Shivamogga and Beyond

From March 14 to 21, 2025, first-year junior scholars from the School of Architecture and Planning embarked on a related study program to Sagara, Shivamogga district, to document tradition-

al and non-traditional vernacular houses. The study aimed to explore how architectural practices have evolved while retaining key cultural elements.

In addition to residential structures, students examined religious and public buildings in Shivamogga, Halebeedu, and Be-

lur—sites rich in historical significance. These structures, shaped by past dynasties, reflect the region’s architectural legacy and the influence of ruling empires. The program provided invaluable insights into the transformation of vernacular architecture and its continued relevance in modern design.



School of Law

SWATHI – Domestic Laws & Rights Workshop for Female Work Staff at Woxsen University

On March 3, 2025, Woxsen University’s Centre of Excellence (COE) of Human Rights, in collaboration with the School of Law, conducted a Domestic Laws & Rights Workshop for female staff. The session aimed to enhance legal awareness, covering workplace rights, protection against harassment, domestic violence laws, maternity benefits, and grievance redressal.

Law students provided insights into enforcement mechanisms, ensuring participants understood their

rights. A key highlight was the introduction of the Woxsen Legal Aid Cell, offering free legal assistance. The interactive session saw active participation, with staff sharing concerns and appreciating the initiative.

This workshop reinforces Woxsen University’s commitment to legal empowerment, inclusivity, and fostering a well-informed community.



Challenge Conquered: Strategic Business Crisis Simulation

On March 5, 2025, Woxsen University’s School of Law, in collaboration with the Debate Club, organized a high-stakes Strategic Business Crisis Simulation. The event challenged participants to navigate a simulated bio-war emergency, testing their ability to assess risks, allocate resources, and make critical decisions under pressure.

Competing teams demonstrated exceptional leadership, analytical thinking, and adaptability, developing strategic responses to manage the crisis effectively. The winning team was awarded a ₹5,000 cash prize for their

outstanding problem-solving skills and strategic acumen.

This initiative highlighted the importance of experiential learning in crisis management and strategic decision-making. By fostering resilience and collaboration, Woxsen University continues to prepare students for real-world challenges, reinforcing its reputation as a hub for intellectual growth and practical learning.



Legal Aid Cell at Hosted Awareness Session at Sangareddy Women’s Degree College

On March 18, 2025, the Legal Aid Cell at Woxsen University conducted an awareness session at Sangareddy Women’s Degree College on dowry, forced marriages, and women’s rights. The session educated students on legal provisions, social impact, and support systems, encouraging discussions on solutions.

Led by Dr. Paramita Choudhury and Prof. Ummual Waraah, the event emphasized legal literacy and collective action. A key highlight was the participants’ pledge to stand against dowry and forced marriages, reinforcing the importance of awareness in driving social change.



Legal Aid Cell Visits the Juvenile Observation Center

Woxsen University’s Legal Aid Cell recently embarked on a meaningful visit to the Juvenile Observation Center, aiming to support juveniles in conflict with the law. This initiative extended beyond legal guidance—it was about understanding their stories, offering encouragement, and helping them envision a brighter future.

Rather than merely observing, we engaged in heartfelt conversations, listening to their struggles, aspirations, and dreams. Many expressed hope despite their past, proving that with the right support, change is possible. Through career guidance, storytelling, and emotional support, we encouraged them to recognize

their potential and redefine their paths.

The visit emphasized rehabilitation, stressing that many juveniles need guidance, not punishment, to reintegrate into society as responsible citizens.

The Legal Aid Cell remains committed to mentorship, guidance, and rehabilitation, ensuring justice is not just about punishment but also redemption and transformation.



Lex Talks: Navigating The Digital Legal Maze

On March 17, 2025, Woxsen University hosted another insightful edition of Lex Talks, focusing on social media disclaimers, digital accountability, and regulatory frameworks. The session sparked engaging discussions on the evolving role of law in the digital era, addressing complex legal and ethical dilemmas.

Key questions explored included:

- Do government regulations on social media maintain public order, or do they risk censorship?
- When does national security regulation limit diverse perspectives?
- Should OTT content be regulated, or should viewers have full autonomy?

A recurring theme was the need

for universal accountability—for individuals, platforms, and governments. Participants stressed that regulations must be fair, just, and consistent rather than reactive. The discussion emphasized how digital laws should adapt to societal changes while upholding fundamental rights like free speech.

The event fostered dynamic debates, with students actively contributing insights on digital governance and content regulation. Real-world examples added depth, making the session both relevant and impactful.



Legal Awareness Session for Sangareddy TS Residential Boys School Students

The School of Law, Woxsen University, organized an engaging legal awareness session for students of Sangareddy TS Residential Boys School. The session aimed to educate young minds on the country’s legal framework, fundamental rights, and civic responsibilities, fostering a deeper understanding of the law’s role in shaping a just society.

The interactive session encouraged students to engage critically with legal concepts, ask insightful questions, and recognize the importance of legal literacy in daily life. Faculty members facilitated discussions, ensuring complex legal principles were accessible and relevant.

The initiative received an enthusiastic response from students, highlighting the impact of legal education in empowering future citizens. Woxsen University remains committed to promoting legal literacy through similar outreach programs, strengthening civic awareness among young learners.



Faculty Achievements

Prof. Nehal Ahmed Nadwi, Assistant Professor at Woxsen University’s School of Law, won the Best Paper Presenter Award at the International Conference on Law and Technology, organized by MANUU Law School on 25th February 2025. His paper, “Intermediary Liability and Copyright Law: An Evolving Discourse,” analyzes the IT (Intermediary Liability Guidelines) Rules, 2021, and the DPDP Act, 2023, focusing on intermediaries’ legal responsibilities. This achievement highlights his expertise in cyber law and enhances Woxsen University’s reputation in legal research.

Student Achievements

Lokesh, a 2nd-year student of BBA LLB (Hons.) at the School of Law, Woxsen University, achieved a remarkable feat by securing the Silver Medal in the Infinity Tennis Tournament. Woxsen University School of Law congratulates Lokesh on his outstanding achievement and looks forward to witnessing more such milestones in his journey ahead.

Driti, a 2nd-year student of BBA LLB (Hons.) at the School of Law, Woxsen University, has demonstrated exceptional athletic prowess at the Infinity Event, securing multiple accolades. She earned two Silver Medals in Throwball

and Basketball, showcasing her teamwork, agility, and determination. Additionally, she triumphed in Shotput, winning a Gold Medal, highlighting her strength, precision, and perseverance. Woxsen University commends her remarkable success and eagerly anticipates her future contributions to academics and sports.

Advancement in Dispute Resolution with IAMC, Hyderabad

A high-level meeting was held at Woxsen University to explore interdisciplinary collaboration in dispute resolution. Dr. A. Sreelatha Annamaneni, Dean – School of

Law; Dr. David J. Meyer, Executive Dean – School of Business; and Prof. Kumari Sukhdeo, Professor of Management and Business Studies, led discussions on integrating legal and business perspectives to develop industry-aligned strategies.

Key areas of focus included strengthening research in arbitration, mediation, and negotiation, designing specialized academic programs, and fostering industry engagement to enhance practical learning. The initiative aims to equip students with essential dispute resolution skills while driving innovation in legal and business frameworks. This collaboration marks a significant step toward bridging academia and industry in the evolving field of alternative dispute resolution.



Journalism is the voice and AI.....is reshaping it. The future remains skeptical for many.

But for me stories are crafted not just with words. It's always our human tendencies of accepting, rejecting, liking, not liking, experimenting, pushing ourselves that refine the narratives. It's our core humanity that adds masala to our lives. The evolution is constant. And embracing it is a bit tough. Yet imagine how much more we are about to create with words, visuals and tools!

We, as Woxsen Times, are excited to get on this bandwagon. Along with technology we will unleash ourselves to the fullest! This publication will stand at the intersection of tradition and innovation, celebrating journalism's essence while embracing the future of storytelling. We are getting ready for a start of a fresh chapter of insight and imagination! Are you? And a heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has accompanied me on this new journey with unwavering support and love.

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