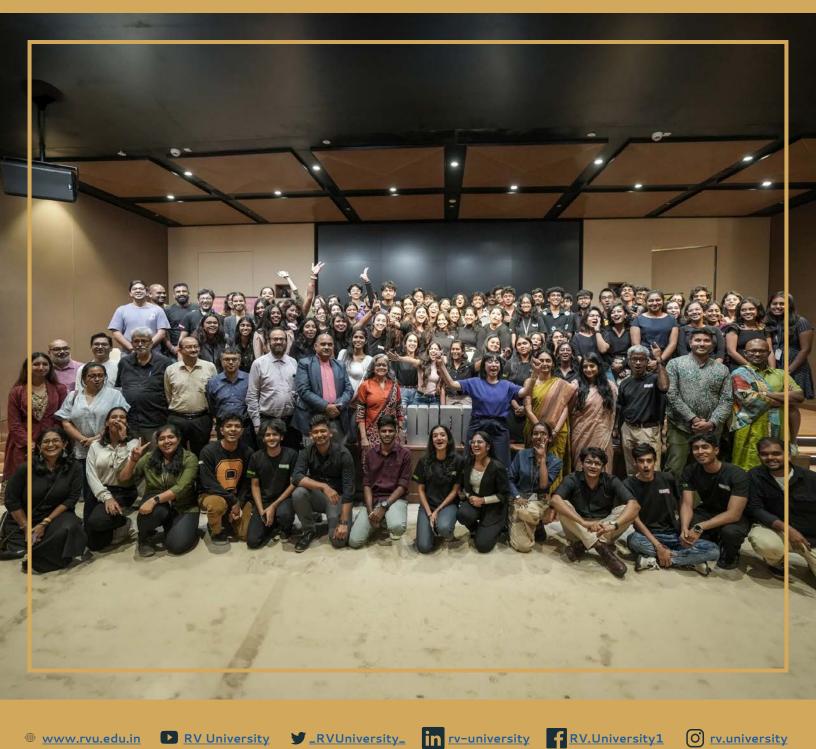
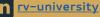


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# **RVU's Pursuit of Excellence**









### **Message from the Vice Chancellor**

As we mark the one-year milestone of our e-digest, it is with great pleasure that we present the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary edition of "RVU's Pursuit of Excellence." Since its inception in January 2023, our e-digest has been serving as a very useful platform to disseminate information about RVU's noteworthy developments.

The quarter ending December 2023 has proven to be a particularly eventful and highly productive period for RVU. Notably, our faculty and students have published over 22 patents, showcasing our commitment to innovation. Additionally, during this period, RVU organised a comprehensive array of more than 100 academic activities, including several international conferences, distinguished public lectures, immersive workshops, among others. The participation of over 10 esteemed international experts from the USA, Japan, Australia, Italy, and the U.K. enriched these events significantly.



Prof. Y.S.R. Murthy Founding Vice Chancellor, RV University

I invite you to peruse the contents of our anniversary

edition. Your valuable insights and feedback are earnestly sought, as they will contribute significantly to refining our focus and efforts.

Thank you for your continued support.

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### Announcements

#### RV University opens Admissions for 2024-25

RVU has opened its admissions for the next academic year starting in August 2024. RVU is inviting prospective students to apply for 60 undergraduate and postgraduate programmes offered by its seven interdisciplinary schools. Candidates can apply through the online application form available on the University's website <u>https://admissions.rvu.edu.in/</u>



#### RVU welcomed its PG students

On 16 October 2023, RVU held a commencement day ceremony to welcome its new batch of postgraduate students. Dr. Prasad Ram, Founder and CEO, Gooru, was the distinguished Commencement Day speaker. Dr. Ram, who has previously held senior positions at industry giants like Google and Yahoo, delivered an inspirational address to the new postgraduate students. The ceremony was also attended by the family and friends of students along with the faculty.





#### Appoinment of Dean, Academic Affairs



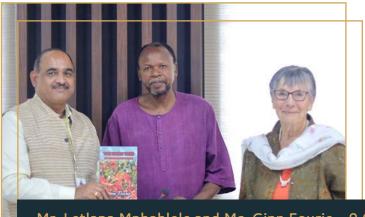
Dr. Diganta Chakrabarti has taken on the role of Dean, Academic Affairs, starting from 27 December 2023

#### New Associate Dean in the School of Business

Dr. Arunkumar A.V., has assumed the role of Associate Dean, School of Business with effect from 28 December 2023. He is an ex-banker and a Chief Risk Officer who has held several leadership positions during his career. At RVU, he is also the Executive Director of the Centre for Banking, Development and Financial Studies (CBDFS).



## **Distinguished Public Lecture Series**



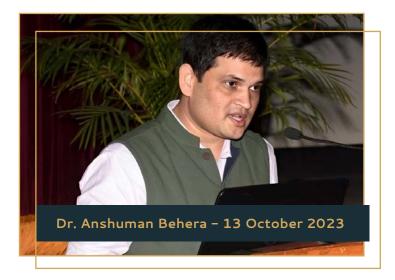
On 9 October 2023, the School of Law (SoL), RVU hosted Ms. Ginn Fourie and Mr. Letlapa Mphalele from South Africa for the screening of the film, 'Beyond Forgiving' followed by a discussion. The film is a powerful narration of how these two people who had suffered due to the actions of the other, have risen beyond their pain to reconcile. The discussion that followed touched upon the themes of forgiveness, retributive justice and restorative justice.

Mr. Letlapa Mphahlele and Ms. Ginn Fourie - 9 October 2023

School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), in collaboration with EC Council, USA organised two workshops on "Cyber Security Issues Awareness" and "Ethical hacking Techniques and its tools" on 11 October 2023 and 17 November 2023 respectively. Both these workshops were conducted by Mr. Sudharshan P., Cyber Forensics Expert-Texial.



Mr. Sudharshan P. - 11 October 2023 and 17 November 2023



The Centre for Contemporary Economics (CCE), School of Economics (SoE), organised a distinguished lecture on "In Search of Fraternity: Majoritarianism, Vertical Solidarity and Ethnic Conflicts in India" by Dr. Anshuman Behera, Associate Professor, National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), on 13 October 2023.



On 18 October 2023, the School of Business (SoB) held a CXO talk on "Stock Trading – The nuances" by Mr. Abhilash Misra, CEO, NSE Academy Ltd. An industry lecture was organised for the students of School of Design and Innovation (SDI) on 13 October 2023, as part of its ongoing Industry Lecture Series. The distinguished guest speaker was Ar. Soumitro Ghosh from Mathew and Ghosh Architects who shared his valuable insights and experiences in the field of architecture.



School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) invited Mr. Joy Bimal Roy to share stories about his iconic filmmaker father, and a whole lot of other film stars. In his book reading session, "Once Upon a Time in Jollywood", Mr. Joy shared excerpts from his book, "Ramblings of a Bandra Boy".





The School of Business (SoB) hosted a guest talk on 'Understanding the Psychology of Technical Analysis for Protecting the Portfolio' on 26 October 2023. The talk was delivered by Dr. Raghavendra, Professor and Associate Dean, VIT-AP School of Business, VIT-AP University, Andhra Pradesh.

Dr. Deepa Madathil, Professor & Director, VIT Bangalore delivered a lecture on Neuromarketing. This was an interactive session which introduced interesting and insightful concepts on digital marketing to our students. It was hosted by SoB.





MineRVa - RV Centre for Leadership and Executive Education, in partnership with FROB (Friends of Books) hosted a book discussion on 28 October 2023. The book being discussed was 'FinTech for Billions' by Dr. Bhagwan Choudhary, Professor of Finance and Director of DIRI at ISB Hyderabad and a Research Professor at UCLA Anderson School. The discussion was attended by more than 50 participants.



Keith Webster, Dean of Libraries and Director of Emerging and Integrative Media Initiatives and Rebecca Lombardi, Director of Admissions, The Entertainment Technology Center from Carnegie Mellon University delivered a distinguished talk on Higher Education opportunities with Carnegie Mellon University. The talk, which was held on 31 October 2023, was organised by the International Office at RVU.

The Centre for Criminal Justice Studies (CCJS), School of Law (SoL) hosted its inaugural workshop on "The Proposed Criminal Law Bills: A Critical Assessment" by Prof. (Dr.) Anup Surendranath on 6 November 2023. Prof. Anup is a professor of law at National Law University, Delhi and is the Executive Director of Project 39A (a criminal justice programme at the university). Prof. Surendranath talked about the new criminal law bills which are proposed to replace the Indian Penal Code, the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Indian Evidence Act. The session was attended by students and staff from the School of Law.

Prof. (Dr.) Anup Surendranath - 6 November 2023





Dr. Manimoy Paul – 6 and 7 November 2023

On 6 November 2023, the School of Economics (SoE) conducted a distinguished talk on "Socio-economic factors explaining resistance to COVID vaccines: The Case of the US" by Dr. Manimoy Paul, Associate Professor, Siena College, New York. Dr. Paul has held several responsible positions in his career, for a significant part of his career. He was involved with the New York State Legislative Assembly, building quantitative models to develop tax-related legislation. He has served as a board member of the New York State Economic Association for more than 15 years. In 2014 and 2015, he served the New York State Economic Association as its elected president.

SoE hosted another expert talk on "Higher Education in the US and International Careers" by Dr. Manimoy Paul on 7 November 2023.



The School of Business hosted a distinguished public lecture on 'Entrepreneurship' by Shri. Avi Singh, Vice President, SaaS Sales on 6 November 2023. Shri. Singh is a high-energy, results-driven executive with 20 years of progressive global enterprise B2B SaaS sales leadership. He has worked with globally renowned companies like OpenText, Oracle, SAP, Adobe, and Salesforce, leading their sales operations in North America. Our students learned immensely from his rich experience amidst technological disruptions.

The Office of Research along with the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted a talk on "Object and Face Perception: When the Whole Is Equal to the Sum of Its Parts" by Prof. Baingio Pinna, Professor of Experimental Psychology and Vision Science, University of Sassari, Italy, on 7 November 2023.

Mr. Avi Singh - 6 November 2023

On the same day, Prof. Pinna delivered another talk on "The Syntax Organization of Visual Attributes". This session was organised by the Office of Research and School of Design and Innovation (SDI).

Both the sessions were attended by the students and members of the faculty.







The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) along with the School of Business (SoB) organised a guest lecture on 7 November 2023. The session on "Behavioral Infosec Research – From Trust to inclusion" was delivered by Mr. H. Raghav Rao, AT&T Distinguished Chair in Infrastructure Assurance and Security, Carlos Alvarez College of Business and Professor, Department of Computer Science, at University of Texas at San Antonio.

The Centre for Victimological Research and Victim Assistance (CVRVA) hosted its sixth lecture from the Lecture Series on Victimology and Victim Justice. It was an online session on "Solution-oriented Policing". The lecture was delivered by Mr. Ruwan Uduwerage-Perera, Senior Lecturer, Royal Docks School of Business and Law; Director, Criminology & Policing; Co-director, International Centre for Policing, Innovation, Enterprise and Learning (PIEL), University of East London, UK.



Mr. Ruwan Uduwerage-Perera - 8 November 2023



The School of Design and Innovation (SDI) hosted an International Talk on "Texturology: Understanding places and things through their surface texture" on 10 November 2023 which was delivered by Dr. Eduardo De la Fuente, Adjunct Senior Lecturer from University of South Australia.



Centre for Health Law and Ethics (CHLE), School of Law (SoL) organised its inaugural lecture on "Realising the Vision of Right to Health–From Social Action to Legal Entitlement" on 15 November 2023. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Abhay Prakash Shukla, Public Health Specialist and Senior Scientist. Dr. Shukla has been working in the areas of public health and community health in India for the last 35 years, including collaborative work with civil society organisations and grassroots groups in Maharashtra state since the last two and half decades. He is Senior consultant with SATHI Pune, along with being a member of the National Health Mission– Advisory Group for Community Action (AGCA).



On 17 November 2023, the School of Design and Innovation (SDI) hosted an industry talk featuring Ms. Upali Nag Kumar, Chief Strategy Officer at Motivator (Group M Media India Pvt. Ltd). The talk centered around the theme of "How Brands are Built and What it Means from a Design Perspective." This insightful session aimed to shed light on the intricate process of brand philosophy, emphasizing the significance of understanding a brand's vision and mission. Ms. Nag's expertise and engaging discourse made this event an enriching experience for everyone in attendance.

The School of Business (SoB) conducted a workshop on "Get Smart: Interview Readiness Workshop" on 20 November 2023 by NLP Coach and Founder of Rumination Life Academy, Ms. Subha.



Ms. Subha - 20 November 2023

On 21 November 2023, Founder & CTO, Foresoft Consulting, Mr. Naheed M.N. gave a talk on "Introduction to Cybersecurity, Overview & Best Practices". This was organised by the School of Business (SoB) as part of its CXO Talk series.

Mr. Naheed M.N. - 21 November 2023



The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) hosted a lecture on 22 November 2023. Ms. Seema Mundoli, Faculty, Azim Premji University, gave a talk on "Chasing Soppu" : The joy, and the challenges







On 23 November 2023 RVU's International Office organised a session on "Higher Education with LaTrobe University, Australia." Mr. Amit Malhotra, Regional Director - South Asia and Africa, Global and Regional - Recruitment and International Operations (RIO), Bundoora (Melbourne) addressed our students in an engaging discussion.



On 23 November 2023, the School of Business (SoB) organised a guest lecture on "What's Up with Marketing: Trends & Future" by Mr. Rohan Aggarwal, Marketing Manager, Acko General Insurance. This session offered an opportunity to our students to discuss the current marketing trends, how AI affects marketing, and various job roles in marketing.

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) hosted a lecture on "Chandrayaan 3: Mapping the Journey from Sriharikota to Shiv Shakti" by Mr. Sankaranarayanan Viswanathan, Senior Director, Ola Electric, on 24 November 2023. The lecture was attended by students and RVU faculty and staff.



Mr. Sankaranarayanan Viswanathan - 24 November 2023





Our International Office organised an informative IELTS orientation with IDP by Mr. Abhishek M. Swamy, Assistant Territory Manager for IELTS Operations in Karnataka, on 24 November 2023.

Mr. Abhishek M. Swamy - 24 November 2023



Hon'ble Ms. Justice Sujata Manohar, former judge of the Supreme Court of India, on observance of Constitution Day on 26 November 2023, delivered distinguished public lecture on "Human Rights & Indian Constitution." This was organised by the School of Law (SoL).

Justice Manohar became the first woman to be elevated as a Judge of the Bombay High Court on 23 January, 1978 and became the first woman Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court on 15 January 1994.

Hon'ble Ms. Justice Sujata Manohar - 26 November 2023

A masterclass on "Restaurant Design and Operations" was held on the 27 November 2023, exclusively organised for the Spatial and Interior Design students (School of Design and Innovation) as part of their studio project. The objective of the class was to provide students with insights into the practical aspects of designing restaurant spaces and understanding the operational dynamics that impact spatial arrangements and planning. Mr. Shobhit Jain, CEO of Kota Kachori, was invited as the guest speaker for the masterclass.





Dr. Anubhav Dutt Tiwari - 29 November 2023

The Centre for Human Rights Studies (CHRS), SoL organised a guest lecture by Dr. Anubhav Dutt Tiwari, Assistant Professor, Jindal Global Law School on 29 November 2023. Dr. Tiwari gave a discourse on "Contextualising Constitutional Law in Today's Times".



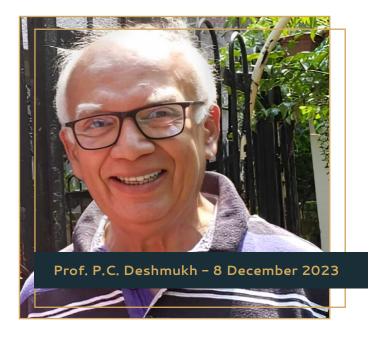
The School of Law (SoL) hosted a talk by Dr. Purushottama Bilimoria, Professor of Law and International Affairs, O.P. Jindal Global University on "Dying with Dignity: Sallekhanā vis-à-vis Euthanasia – (Normative, Bioethical and Legal Ramifications)". The talk, held on 29 November 2023, was attended by faculty members.

The School of Law (SoL) hosted an interactive session with the students on 'Navigating the Legal Landscape: Career Prospects After Graduation and Pursuing Advanced Studies' by Mr. Anush Ganesh, Lecturer, St. Mary's, UK on 5 December 2023. Mr. Ganesh is the current course lead for the LL.M. in International Business Law at St. Mary's University.





On 5 December 2023, the School of Law hosted a session on "Key issues for Advanced Research in Criminal Procedures". This was delivered by Prof.( Dr.) Khagesh Gautam, Prof. of Law, O.P. Jindal Global University as part of our online postgraduate lecture series.



The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) conducted a distinguished public lecture on 8 December 2023 on "Ghost or a Witch or a Vampire-Reality is Nonlocal-2022 Nobel Prize in Physics." The lecture was delivered by Prof. P.C. Deshmukh, Professor, IIT Tirupati. He discussed the resolution of the Bohr-Einstein debate in the light of Bell's theorem and also analysed the nonlocal description of reality that emerges from the description of quantum entanglement and the guantum revolution that it has led to.

On 8 December 2023, in observance of Human Rights Day 2023, the Centre for Human Rights Studies (CHRS), School of Law held an online distinguished public lecture on "Global and Indian Challenges to Human Rights Adherence in the Near Future" by Mr. Ravi Nair, Executive Director, South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre (SAHRDC). Mr. Nair has served on the first Curriculum Development Committee of the University Grants Commission of India for the teaching of Human Rights in Law Schools across India. He is a regular guest lecturer at universities throughout India. In addition, he has been the recipient of the M. A. Thomas National Human Rights Award for 1997.





A session on "Leading Business schools towards excellence and global visibility" was organised by the School of Business (SoB) on 15 December 2023. It was delivered by Dr. Ralph Palliam, Dean, American University of Kuwait.



Centre for Victimological Research and Victim Assistance (CVRVA) hosted a distinguished public lecture on "Cybercrime & Youth: Vulnerabilities and Prevention Strategies" on 21 December 2023 by Prof. (Dr.) Shubhra Sanyal, Project Director, Sewa Kuthir, New Delhi and Former Senior Reader, National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science (NICFS), Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.

Prof. (Dr.) Shubhra Sanyal - 21 December 2023

On 21 December 2023, School of Business (SoB) invited Prof. Prabhudev Konana, Dean and Professor of Information Systems, Robert H. Smith School of Business, University of Maryland, USA, who conducted a Faculty Leadership Programme wherein all members from the School of Business and School of Economics participated along with Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy and Pro Vice Chancellor (Executive Education), Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal.

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) hosted another session with Prof. Konana, on 27 December 2023 to deliver a distinguished public lecture on "AI and Future of Work".





RVU's School of Business (SoB) conducted a Faculty Mentoring Programme on 26 December 2023. A distinguished talk on "A Primer on Teacher to Guru" was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Pankaj Gupta, Professor and Executive Director (CESM), O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat.

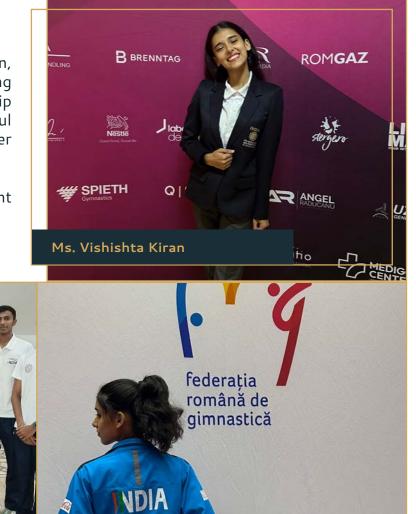
### **Student Accomplishments**



Ankur T.S., 1<sup>st</sup> year B.Tech. student and TIFA 2024 team lead, created a great photo moment at IFFI Goa when he engaged the super star, Sunny Deol with an emotive question. Sunny Deol not only answered his question but also hugged him. Ankur was part of the student delegation from RVU which attended one of the biggest film festivals, IFFI Goa, in the country with three of the largest blockbuster film directors in attendance – Rajkumar Santoshi, Rahul Rawail and Anil Sharma.

We are immensely proud of Ms. Vishishta Kiran, a second-year B. Des. student, for representing India at the Aerobics Gymnastics Championship held in Bucharest, Romania. With her powerful performance she has secured the world number 5 rank in the Championship.

We applaud her remarkable accomplishment and look forward to her continued success. Congratulations!





Congratulations to Ms. Varsha Srinivasa, 2<sup>nd</sup> year student of B.Des., School of Design and Innovation, for getting selected in the final contingent of the prestigious DG NCC Republic Day Camp (RDC) 2024, scheduled to take place from 29 December 2023 to 29 January 2024, in New Delhi. We also congratulate Dr. Bhanu Prakash Nunna, RVU–NCC Company Commander and Assistant Professor, School of Law on this achievement.

RDC is one of the most prestigious and important NCC camps. Varsha is one of the 119 cadets selected from all over Karnataka and Goa after a rigorous selection process from a pool of almost 1 lakh NCC cadets. Getting selected for such an important camp speaks volumes about the ability and hard work put in by Cadet Varsha.

Hearty congratulations to our students – Joshua, 3<sup>rd</sup> year student from the School of Business, Anmol S.Z., 2<sup>nd</sup> year student from the School of Business, and Balaji V. 1<sup>st</sup> year student from the School of Computer Science and Engineering for winning the runner–up position in the FALAK SURGE Tournament organised by Manipal Institute of Technology (MIT).





We are proud of our students for winning the runner-up position in the UMANG Tournament organised by the International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Bengaluru.



Mr. Shiva Dhanush S., 1<sup>st</sup> year, B.Tech. (Hons.) student has won a gold medal in the powerlifting championship organised by the International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Bengaluru. Our heartfelt congratulations for his impressive performance. We are greatly proud of his achievement and look forward to many more of his accolades.

Dean Prof. (Dr.) Piyush Roy led a delegation of four TIFA student volunteers; Ms. Krishnapriya P., Mr. Tanvir Islam, Mr. Ved Trivedi 2<sup>nd</sup> year B.L.A. students from the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Ms. Vidhi Chouhan, a 1<sup>st</sup> year, B.Com. student from the School of Business to the Yathakatha International Film & Literature Festival held on 3–4 November 2023 in Mumbai.



TIFA student volunteers at the Yathakatha International Film & Literature Festival





Two B.Tech. (Hons.) students, Deekshith R. Prabhu and Chinmay Umesh, have secured 6-month paid internships from LightSpeed Property Photonics in the Intellectual & Trademark domain. Their research, in collaboration with RVU doctoral scholars Pranav Bhat and Sharath Kumar D. under Dr. Phani Kumar Pullela's guidance, focuses on non-patentable subject matters in the software domain, specifically involving section 3(k). These students were participants in the summer internship conducted by SoCSE in July 2023. It involves an in-depth exploration of patentability aspects in electronics, software, and firmware for photonics-based data transfer. The commitment requires a few hours of effort per week and can be seamlessly integrated with regular academic activities.



From 20–28 November 2023, Dean Prof. (Dr.) Piyush Roy along with Mr. Rahul Dev Raman, Assistant Professor, SoFMCA and six students visited the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa. The six students, Mr. Vaishnav S. (1<sup>st</sup> year, B.Tech.), Mr. Ankur T.S. (1<sup>st</sup> year, B.Tech.), Ms. Adya Reddy (2<sup>nd</sup> year, B.L.A.), Ms. Humaira Sheikh (1<sup>st</sup> year, B.Des.), Mr. Pawan Sai (2<sup>nd</sup> year, B.L.A.), and Mr. Rutvi Raj Karanam(2<sup>nd</sup> year, B.L.A.) participated in panel discussions and masterclasses. This also gave them a platform to market their upcoming fest, TIFA 2024 to the other participants. It was a great opportunity for our students to learn the nuances of conducting a film fest.



Deekshith R. Prabhu, Chinmay Umesh, Pranav Bhat and Sharath Kumar D. (From top to bottom, left to right)

Mr. Hrishi Mohan has been appointed as Group CHRO by Axiscades, one of the leading product engineering solutions company. Mr. Mohan is a Ph.D. candidate in the School of Business and is under the supervision of the Pro Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal.



RV University's Dance Club Expressions secured the first prize at the Rhythm Reverie competition at PES University. Way to go for this team of dancers who have been in the forefront in showcasing every dance form across various platforms on campus – from contemporary to classical, flash mobs to TIFA.





Dr. Phani Kumar Pullela, Professor, SoCSE, and Mr. Ramesha G.N., Instructor, innovation specialist, SoCSE, filed the patents for RVU students and faculty. 22 patents were published during this quarter

A system and method for enabling randomized chasing set-up

A system and method for enabling dynamic icebreaker

A system and method for enabling randomized enabler

A system and method for dynamic health check

A system and method for enabling automated card ranking

A system and method for enabling memory-based randomization to improve cognitive skills

A system and method for enabling a smart cubicle

Immersive interactive tourism experience platform

Interconnected immersive multi-generation activity system

Non-invasive Acoustic Lung Health Diagnostic Device

Artificial intelligence-based system for tracking and analysing goodwill trends in social media

Dynamic Cognitive Engagement Tool for Stress Management and Enhanced Focus

Subtle and Indirect Addiction Awareness and Prevention System for Family Engagement

Language Development and Confidence-Boosting System Through Interactive Conversations and Creative Storytelling

Adaptive Knowledge Conveyance Platform for Immersive Experiences

Interlinked Conceptual Learning System for Enhanced Understanding and Collaboration

Customizable and Progressive Learning System for Children

Target Attainment Facilitation System and Method Employing Virtual Achievement

Geographical Indication Experience: Promoting Community Awareness of Local Products Through Interactive Storytelling

Smart Push Cart Indicator: Empowering Street Vendors Through Mobile Connectivity and Geotagged Hardware

Relationship-Building Framework for Rapid Knowledge Sharing in Various Contexts

"Interactive Exercise System: Integrating Physicalactivity Into Engaging Wellness Engagements"

## **Faculty and staff Accomplishments**

Dr. Veena A., Associate Professor, School of Business, has successfully concluded a comprehensive one-year programme on INDIAN INSTITU Business Analytics & Intelligence (EEP) at the BA prestigious Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore. Throughout the duration of the programme, she demonstrated outstanding academic prowess, consistently earning the highest grades. Additionally, she was bestowed with the "Highly Commendable Project" award. Project Title Dr. Veena A **Ticket Sales Forecast** Project Team Karthika C, Veena A Hari Prasad

Dr. Srinivas Reddy Mungara, Head – Program Office, RV University, successfully defended his Ph.D. thesis titled, "Investigation on Effect of Particle Size and Artificial Ageing for Mechanical, Tribological Properties and Fracture Toughness of AI7050-B4C Composites", from Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi.



Dr. Srinivas Reddy Mungara





Prof. Meera Baindur, Associate Professor, SoLAS, contributed a book chapter (entry section) on Yoga and Phenomenology. This was published on 2 October 2023 in the de Warren, N., Toadvine, T. (eds) Encyclopedia of Phenomenology. Springer, Cham.

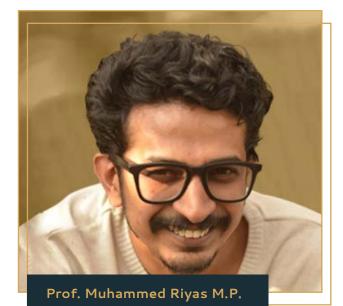
On 17 October 2023, Prof. Baindur wrote a paper on "An interfaith anthology grounded in everyday challenges in the NICU" which was published in the Indian Journal of Medical Ethics,

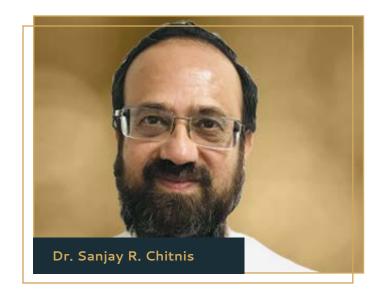
Dr. Baindur also published a chapter, "Let all Beings Be happy: Dignity and Prana, the vital force in Indian thought" In Animal Dignity: Philosophical Reflections on Non-Human

Existence, edited by Melanie Challenger. This was published by Bloomsbury Academic on 2 November 2023.

Dr. Baindur was a panelist at the Bangalore Literature Festival held in Bangalore on 2–3 December 2023. She spoke about her novel "Sharvay" during the session "The Feminine Mystique" in a panel along with renowned poets like Arundhathi Subramaniam, well-known writers Urvashi Butalia, and Manju Kapur.

Dr. Sanjay R. Chitnis, Dean, School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) conducted a session on "Fostering Research Culture in Technical Institutions" for the future leaders of RV College of Engineering (RVCE) at MineRVa on 6 October 2023.





Prof. Muhammed Riyas M P, Faculty, School of Economics (SoE) presented a paper at a conference in Linz, Austria hosted by Vienna Chamber of labour on welfare funding as benefit taxation an alternative way of looking at welfare financing on 7 October 2023.



IEEE Internet of Things Journal published a paper titled, "A Smart CloT With Secure Healthcare Framework Using Optimised Deep Recuperator Neural Network Long Short-Term Memory" by Prof. P. Karthikeyan, Associate Professor, SoCSE on 12 October 2023.

Dr. S. Manjunath, Controller of Examinations (CoE), RVU has published a paper titled "Dispersion of a Chemically Reacting Solute in a three-dimensional Newtonian Fluid Flow Through a Darcy – Brinkman Porous Medium". The article was published in the International Journal of Science and Research (IJSR), Volume 12 Issue 10, October 2023, pp. 722–737 with Srihari M Subodha and N P Chandrashekara.

On 24 November 2023, Dr. S. Manjunath was invited to chair a technical session at the International Conference on Advanced Materials and Fluid Mechanics (ICAMFM-2023) at B.N.M. Institute of Technology, Bengaluru and review the papers presented by the participants in the field of fluid mechanics.





Dr. Soundarya Iyer, Assistant Professor, SoLAS was nominated as a judge for talks and poster presentations at the Student Conference on Conservation Science held at IISc, Bangalore on 12 October 2023.

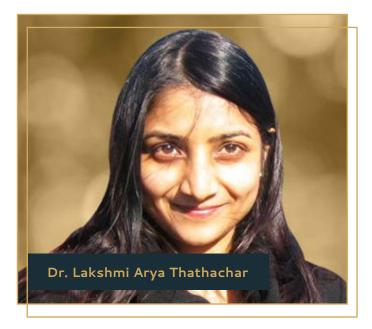
Dr. Iyer also presented a paper titled "Work and Leisure in Rural India: Investigating graphic art in diaries from 1946–1951" at the RVU's SoFMCA conference, "Ekphrasis and the speaking image: Interrogating forms of sequential art" on 8–9 November 2023.



Mr. Chethan Bopanna playing at the all-India club hockey tournament

Dr. Mohit Pathak, Assistant Professor, School of Business (SoB) received the Best Track Research Paper award for presenting the paper titled, 'A Qualitative Perspective on the Relationship between Corporate Governance and Financial Performance' at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pritam Singh Memorial (PRISM) Conference-2023. The conference was hosted by Birla Institute of Management Technology, Greater Noida, on 18 November 2023.





Dr. Lakshmi Arya Thathachar, Dean – Research, RVU, authored a chapter on "Freedom, Self and Truth: The 'Liberty' in Liberalism" in R. Krishnaswamy and Atreyee Majumder (Eds.), Liberalism and its Encounters in India: Some Interdisciplinary Approaches, London: Routledge, 2023. (Human Rights and Global Political Thought Book Series. Series Editors: Aakash Singh Rathore and Sebastiano Maffettone).

Dr. Thathachar composed a poem, "Translation" which was published in Gitanjali and Beyond, Issue 9, Autumn 2023, pp. 216 – 218 on 26 October 2023.

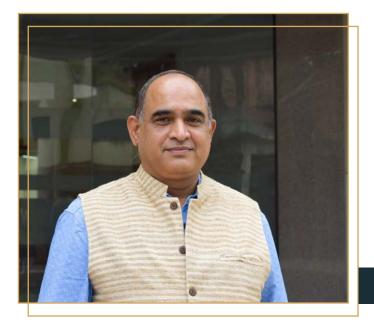
On 9 December 2023, Dr. Thathachar was a resource person at the Research Methodology Workshop organised by the Sardar Patel Institute of Economic and Social Research (SPIESR), Ahmedabad. She delivered two lectures on "Content Analysis", for Ph.D. scholars.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy attended a two-day South Zone Vice Chancellors' meet at Visvesvaraya Technological University organised by the Association of Indian Universities on 26–27 October 2023. It was a thought provoking meet focused on 'Digital Transformation in Higher Education'. The VC spoke at the Technical Session on 'Faculty Development & Digital Pedagogies: Empowering Educators'.



Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy at the South Zone Vice Chancellors' meet at Visvesvaraya Technological University organised by the Association of Indian Universities





Prof. Dr. Y.S.R. Murthy, Vice Chancellor, RVU was a panelist at The Economic Times InspirED Summit 2023. The summit, themed "Inspiring Excellence in Higher Education and Industry with Technology" was held in Bengaluru on 7 December 2024.

Prof. Murthy was part of a panel which discussed extensively on the topic, "From Classroom to Career: How to Nurture 21<sup>st</sup>-Century Skills in Students"

Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy



VC Prof. Murthy was the Chief Guest at the Human Rights Day celebrations in IFIM Law School, Bengaluru and gave a special lecture on "Assessing the Foundations of Freedom, Justice, and Peace" on 7 December 2023. He also spoke at the Human Rights Day Conference organised by the Indian Society of International Law in Delhi on 9 December 2023.

Prof. Murthy successfully completed a month-long refresher course on Teaching Law in 21<sup>st</sup> century – Edition 1 conducted by the Law Teachers India and Gujarat Maritime University, Gandhinagar and secured the highest-grade, A+.

The RV University National Service Scheme (NSS) has received funds worth Rs. 75,000 from the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports for one unit comprising 100 student volunteers to undertake activities. This was initiated by Prof. Murthy and Ms. Yukti Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Law.



Prof. Dr. Y.S.R. Murthy, Vice Chancellor, RVU at The Economic Times InspirED Summit 2023





Dr. Anuradha Chatterjee, Professor and Dean, School of Design and Innovation was invited to attend the 33rd World Design Organization General Assembly held in Tokyo, Japan from 27-29 October 2023. As an educational member of the World Design Organization, RV University joined over 200 educational, professional, and corporate. promotional member organizations from all over the world. Dr. Chatterjee reinforced RVU's commitment to contributing to design education and advocacy on matters that are urgent and important at a local and global level. This event not only provided an excellent platform for networking but also offered a valuable opportunity for Dr. Chatterjee to bring back international insights and knowledge to benefit our RVU design students and faculty.



Dr. Anuradha Chatterjee, Professor and Dean, School of Design and Innovation at the 33<sup>rd</sup> World Design Organization General Assembly held in Tokyo, Japan

Dr. Chatterjee has also been selected as a member of the IIID Education Council. Given her vast experience and knowledge along with immense contribution in the field of design education, her name was recommended for Member of IIID Education Council and was unanimously approved by the committee. Her expertise and passion will undoubtedly contribute to the council's mission to promote and expand design knowledge and research.





Dr. Piyush Roy, Dean, SoFMCA received the YathaKatha Award for his book "Appreciating Melodrama" (Publisher: Bloomsbury 2022) under the best educational book category at YathaKatha International Film and Literature Festival in Mumbai held on 3–4 November 2023. The book was also nominated by Bloomsbury in the 'Writing on Cinema' category in the JioMAMI Mumbai Film Festival 2023.

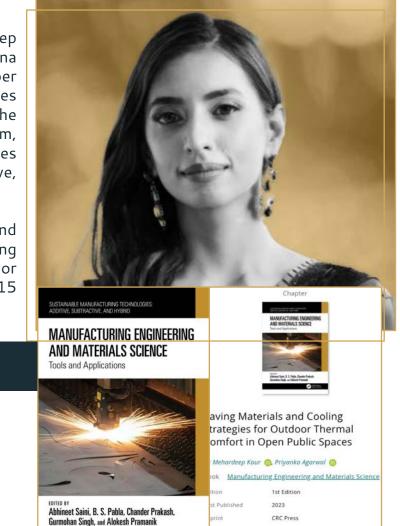
During the festival, Dr. Roy moderated a discussion on 'The role of a song in a Hindi film' with national award-winning critic-author, Mr. Rajiv Vijayakar. He even conducted a masterclass on 'Appreciating Melodrama in the Age of Al' at the festival.

SoFMCA, RVU, along with the University of Tromso, Norway, and the State University of Campinas, Brazil, was the co-organiser of the first 3-nation Ekologos Conference held in Kohima, Nagaland, from 14 to 19 December 2023. Dr. Michael Heneisse and Prof. Thomas Bohn from UiT (Norway), and Prof. Antonio Guerreiro from SUC, Brazil, along with Dean Dr. Piyush Roy, participated in the conference.

Assistant Professor from SDI, Ms. Mehar Deep Kaur was invited as a guest speaker by NIT Patna for a 5-day online workshop from 30 October to 3 November 2023 on "Current Practices and Challenges of Urban Design in India". She shared insights on Sensitive Shades of Urbanism, highlighting the power of empathetic strategies to transform our cities into inclusive, responsive, and vibrant spaces.

Ms. Kaur also published a paper in Taylor and Francis Book (Scopus Indexed), titled, "Paving Materials and Cooling Strategies for Outdoor Thermal Comfort in Open Public Spaces" on 15 November 2023.

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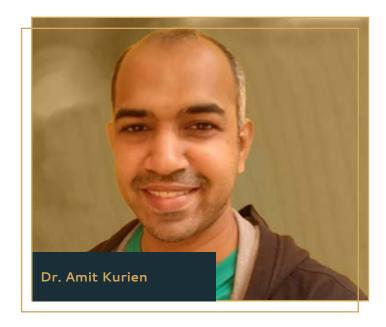
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Assistant Professor, Dr. Amit Kurien presented a paper titled, "Environmentalism and the Ekphrastic Encounter" at the International Conference on Comics and Graphic Narratives on 'Ekphrasis and the 'Speaking Image': Interrogating Forms of Sequential Art' organised by the SoFMCA, RVU on 8–9 November 2023.



Registrar Dr. Sahana D. Gowda has been nominated as a member from other universities to the Academic Council Committee of Kishkinda University in Bellary on 17 November 2023. During 6-10 November 2023, Dr. Sathya from SoCSE secured a Grants-In-Aid from DRDO for organising a 5-day short-term training programme on "Enhancing Cyber Security with AI.



Dr. Phani Kumar Pullela, Professor, SoCSE was the winner of the "above 40 years" section at the 49<sup>th</sup> BRDCA Rapid Chess Championship held at Bangalore on 11 November 2023.



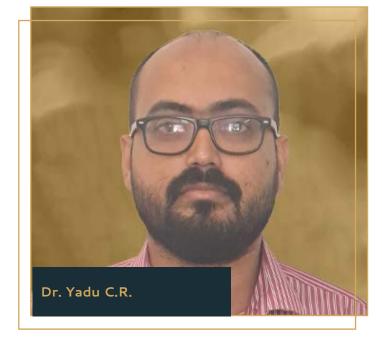


Dr. Tuhin S. Banerjee, Associate Professor, School of Business published a book titled, "Derivatives – The Engine of Modern Finance. This was published by Notion Press Platform on 9 November 2023. The foreword was written by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy.

Dr. Yadu C.R., Assistant Professor, School of Economics (SoE) presented a paper titled "Reexamining the Narrative of Agrarian Crisis in India: A World Ecological Perspective", at the 19<sup>th</sup> Development Dialogue Conference. This conference was held at the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Hague, Netherlands on 14–15 November 2023.

Dr. Yadu also presented a paper at the German Society for Geography Conference 2023 held at Goethe University, Frankfurt. The paper, titled "Agricultural Modernization and Petty Producers in India: A Case Study of Two Villages," was presented during the conference.

Additionally, Dr. Yadu reviewed the book 'Farming and Working Under Contract: Peasants and Workers in Global Agricultural Value Systems', Indian Journal of Human Development, Vol.17(1).





Dr. Shobana Padmanabhan, Professor and Director of the Dhee Center for AI and Data Science at SoCSE, was granted a UK design patent on 14 November 2023 for an AI-enabled Charging Station for Electric Vehicles. The patent was obtained in collaboration with Dr. Jesudas Thangaraju, Dr. Sheila Mahapatra, Dr. Satish Menon, Dr. Senbagavalli Marimuthu and Dr. Revathi Vaithiyanathan.



Dr. Kitty Mukherjee, Assistant Dean, School of Film, Media and Creative Arts represented RVU in the 7<sup>th</sup> National Media Conclave in Bhubaneshwar on 21–23 November 2023. This three-day media conclave held several discussions on the broad themes of digitech, media and democracy. Dr. Mukherjee moderated three sessions during the conclave and also presented her paper on the theme.

On 26 December 2023 Dr. Mukherjee received her Ph.D. degree from the hands of Honourable Vice President of India, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar at the 18<sup>th</sup> Convocation held in MDU Rohtak, Haryana. Dr. Mukherjee's did her thesis on the Role of Print Media in Gender Sensitization amongst university students: a study of select universities.

Dr. Kitty Mukherjee receiving her Ph.D. degree from the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar



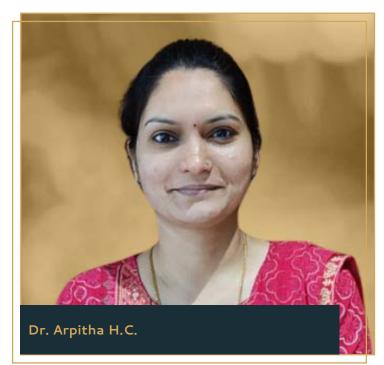
On 24 November 2023, College Dunia awarded Mr. Ashish Gupta, Director of Admissions & Outreach, with the "Changemaker of the Year Award" in appreciation of his dedicated contributions to higher education and career guidance. He is the author of India's most extensive career guidance book series, which features over 10 titles, with the flagship book being "AG's Book of Careers."

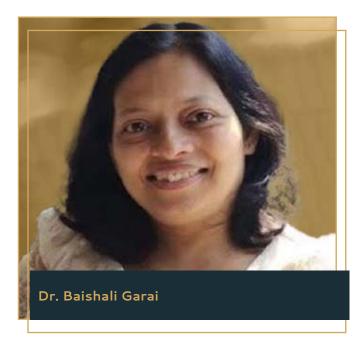




Mr. C. Roshan Machayya, Assistant Professor, School of Law, RVU participated in The Malnad Ultra 2023 50K Run on 25 November 2023 and completed it in 6 hours 43 minutes. He has shown us the power of human possibilities and endurance.

Dr. Arpitha H.C., Assistant Professor, SoL, published a paper on "The Consumer Protection Act, 2019: A critical analysis from a medical practitioner's perspective." This was published in the 'Indian Journal of Medical Ethics' on 30 November 2023.



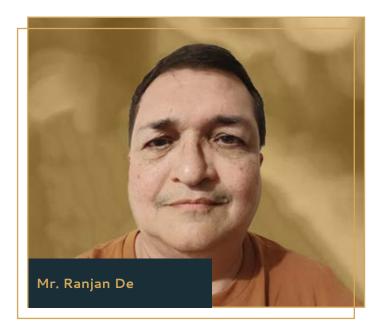


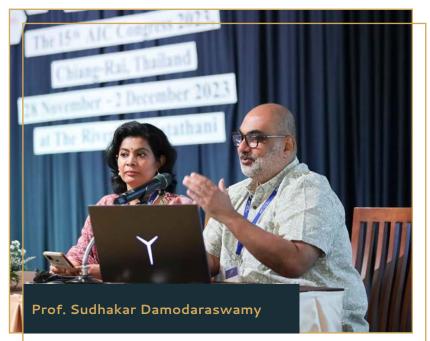
On 30 November 2023, Dr. Baishali Garai, Associate Professor at SoCSE, successfully completed the Advanced Certification Programme on Deep Learning Foundations and Applications at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru. With a background in physics, this course equips her to conduct multidisciplinary research in Computer Science.



At the Bangalore Literature Festival on 2-3 December 2023, Ms. Deepa Ganesh, Professor and Executive Director, Centre for Visual and Performing Arts, SoLAS participated in a session, "Devamuleya Male", with Krishnamurthy Hanuru.

Mr. Ranjan De, Programme Head-Communication Design, School of Design and Innovation conducted a session on "Creativity with Cuppetry" for children at the Bangalore Literature Festival held on 2–3 December 2023.





Prof. Sudhakar Damodaraswamy, Professor of Practice, School of Design and Innovation (SDI) presented a paper at the 15<sup>th</sup> AIC Congress 2023, held in Chiang Rai, Thailand on 28 November-2 December 2023. The conference was conducted by the International Colour Association, a multidisciplinary association in the field of colour. The Association Internationale de la Couleur, founded in 1967, is an international association that comprises over 28 colour associations from around the world. The title of the co-authored paper is, "A Colour Value Framework for the Colour Design of Lifestyle Products" which is now published in the conference proceedings.



Pro Vice Chancellor (Executive Education), Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal was presented with Edu-Excellence Award 2022 by edVishan.

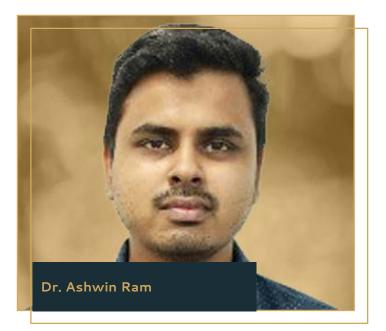
On 7 December 2023, Prof. (Dr.) Dr. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Executive Education), RVU, participated in a roundtable discussion with Unstop for The Economic Times InspirED 2023 Summit. The topic of his discussion was 'Building Future Ready Employee: Exploring the Challenges and Opportunities for India.' The session highlighted the skills and competencies that students need to succeed in future careers and how universities can foster a blend of technical skills, critical thinking, and soft skills to create a future-ready and smart workforce.

Critical Collective has published an article by Ms. Rajni Chandiwal, Assistant Professor, SoLAS on 22 December 2023. Critical Collective is a website based on the need for concerted editing and preservation of writing on the visual arts in India. The article talks about the Adarsh Balak posters which recently became famous. It traces its changing history in the post-independence India.



Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal at a roundtable discussion with Unstop for The Economic

Times InspirED 2023 Summit



Dr. Ashwin Ram, School of Economics (SoE), RVU, successfully defended his Ph.D. thesis titled, "Strategic Analysis of Demand Side Management and its Implications for Water Security in India"at the Madras School of Economics.

Assistant Professor from the School of Design and Innovation, Mr. Devaraj Byrappa's drawing was part of the exhibition titled 'Miniature Postage Stamp Masterpieces'. It was curated by Nippon Gallery, Mumbai at Shenoy Art Foundation in Bangalore.



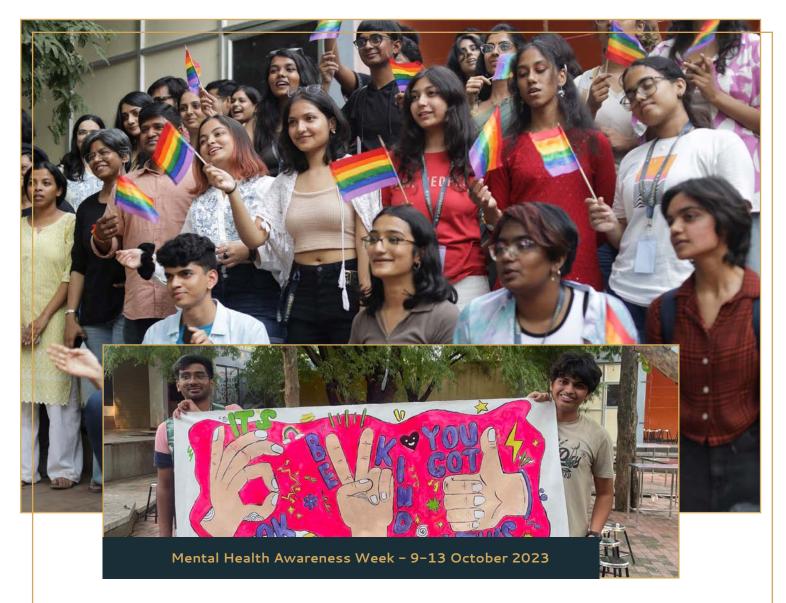
## **Events**



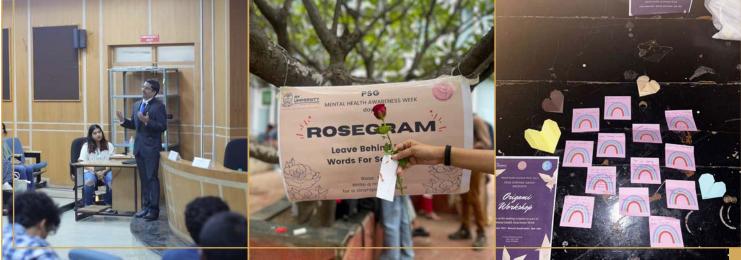


RV University in collaboration with O.P. Jindal Global University, hosted a judicial colloquium, "Role of Judiciary in Sustaining Rule of Law and Democracy: Comparatives Perspectives, India and USA" on 6 October 2023 at the recently launched MineRVa – RV Centre for Leadership and Executive Education. This seminar welcomed 10 eminent judges and jurists from the USA who gathered to understand the legal framework and jurisprudence in India. The inaugural address was delivered by Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.V. Raveendran who was the Chief Guest for the event.





The Counselling and Wellbeing Centre (CWC) along with the Peer Support Group (PSG) organised a week-long Mental Health Awareness Programme, from the 9 – 13 October 2023 to commemorate the World Mental Health Day which is observed on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October every year. The objective of the programme was to destigmatise mental illnesses, promote and mobilise efforts in support of mental health. A series of exciting and informative events were planned throughout the week – flag painting, insightful lecture by Dr. Sreeraj, Awareness March, Rosegram, Origami workshop, and Art Exhibition.





SoE organised a student-led inter-university panel discussion, "Perspectives" - 10 October 2023



On 10 October 2023, the School of Economics (SoE) conducted a student-led, inter-university panel discussion, "Perspectives" which attracted students from many prestigious universities like Dr. BR Ambedkar School of Economics University, VIT (Chennai), NMIMS, MS Ramaiah, Mount Carmel College, PES, University, Christ Deemed to be University, GIBS Business School, among others.

The event was conducted in three slots; the first panel discussion on Artificial Intelligence, the second on the expansion of BRICS, and the third panel was on the scope and impact of Gig Economy. Dr. Shobana Padmanabhan, Professor, SoCSE, RVU was invited as a judge for the panel on "Impact of Artificial Intelligence in a fast-paced world".

True to its name, these discussions gave an extremely wide array of perspectives for all three key topics of discussion.





RV University hosted Vidwan Abhishek Raghuram at our campus on 11 October 2023. Vidwan Raghuram was accompanied by other award-winning and outstanding musicians, Dr. Thiruvarur Bakthavastalam (on Mrindangam), Mr. Bhaskar Hn (on violin) and Ghatam player, Giridhar Udupa. Three cheers to our Centre for Visual and Performing Arts for organising such a musical evening.

This stellar ensemble of musicians lit up our campus with an extraordinary performance, demonstrating the creative journey within music.



## RVU hosted Y20 India Talk under G20 on "Shared Future: Youth in Democracy and Governance - Role of Legal Professionals

On 14 October 2023, RVU's School of Law hosted the Y20 India talk on "Shared Future: Youth in Democracy and Governance – Role of Legal Professionals" at its campus where more than 200 students from various institutions participated in the event. This event brought together legal experts, dignitaries, and young minds, setting off critical discussions on the role of the legal fraternity in shaping the future of democracy and governance.

The event was graced by the Chief Guest Hon' ble Mr. Justice G. Narendar, Senior most Judge, High Court of Karnataka and the Guest of Honour, Hon' ble Mr. Justice M.I. Arun, Judge, High Court of Karnataka. Dr. Aruna Shyam, Senior Advocate, High Court of Karnataka was also present at this event.





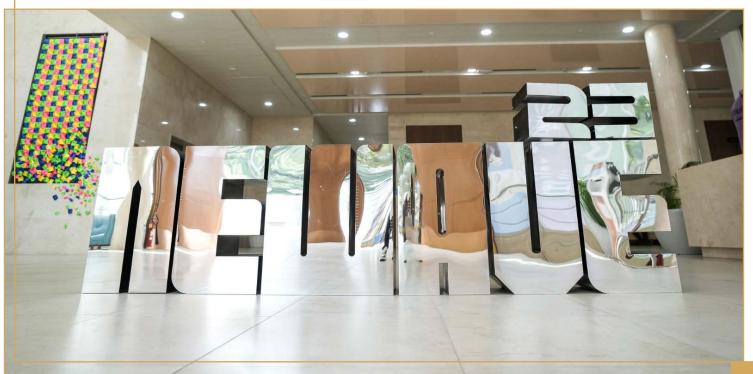
NEWAVE'23 Design Conference attracts students from around the world and across India - 19-20 October 2023

School of Design and Innovation (SDI) hosted its inaugural edition of NEWAVE'23, a two-day studentled design conference and festival on 19–20 October 2023. The conference was held at the Infosys Science Foundation located in the heart of Bengaluru. NEWAVE'23 has established itself as a cornerstone for emerging design talents to showcase their research capabilities, invigorate academic exploration, and cultivate invaluable industry connections.

The event commenced with an inspiring keynote delivered by Mr. Sameer Shisodia, CEO of Rainmatter Foundation, and culminated with a engaging closing address by Ms. Meenakshi Thaploo, Director of Product Design and User Experience Design at Cisco.

Over the course of this enriching event, attendees were immersed in diverse activities, including compelling paper presentations, posters, product exhibitions, creative workshops, industry networking opportunities, thought-provoking roundtable discussions. During the event, Whitespace, a student magazine, was launched, setting the stage for further intellectual exploration.

NEWAVE 23 will become a yearly event at the School of Design and Innovation.







LogicBegin - 25 October 2023

On 25 October 2023, the ChipTech Students Club, comprising our first-semester B.Tech. students, organised an event named, "LogicBegin" under the Center for IoT and Edge Computing. This event was an integral component of the Digital Systems and Computer Architecture (DSCA) course.

Participants engaged in hands-on activities, gaining practical experience with fundamental electronic components and delving into the realm of digital logic. Serving as mentors and guides were third-semester SoCSE students, ensuring that their counterparts were well-acquainted with the components. They responded to queries, shared insights, and exchanged ideas, laying the groundwork for the upcoming labs.





The School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) hosted the legendary Indian filmmaker and star maker of the 1980s and 1990s, Rahul Rawail for a retrospective and masterclass. It was part of the three-day conference, 'Golden Age of Hindustani Cinema and Its Continuing Impact' which was organised by students from the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS). The conference featured student presentations on a range of themes, with particular emphasis on the widely popular topic of RD Burman and Bollywood film songs. Esteemed jury members, including Rashmi Nambiar, Director of Content (Creative) at Pocket FM Pvt Ltd, and Praveen Nagda, Festival Director of Cultural Cinema and Kidz Cinema, offered valuable feedback on these student presentations. Students participated in discussions with the master filmmaker, gaining valuable insights into the craft of cinematic storytelling.





RVU Principals' Conference - 31 October 2023

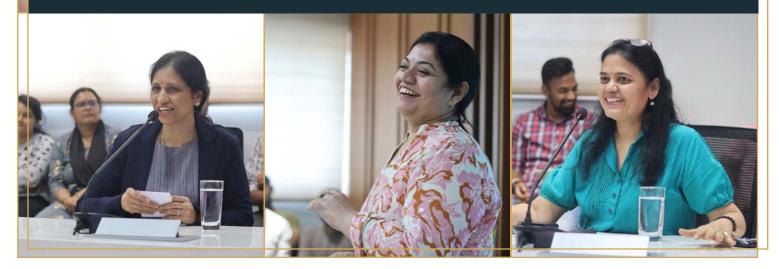
The Office of Admissions and Outreach organised RVU Principals' Conference on 31 October 2023, at the RV Centre for Leadership and Executive Education, MineRVa. This event themed, "Achieving Academic Excellence & Institution Building," saw the participation of more than 20 principals from prominent schools in and outside of Bangalore. The gathering was addressed by Pro Chancellor, Mr. D.P. Nagaraj, and Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy.





A session was organised for the staff and faculty of RVU to get a deeper understanding on Metabolic Syndrome: Risk Factors and their interventions on 3 November 2023. We had Ms. Sheela Nandish, Ms. Anitha Devraj and Ms. Asha Shailendra share details on the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. This talk was spearheaded by RSST Trustee and Member, Board of Management, RVU, Mr. N.R. Nandish.

A session on "Metabolic Syndrome: Risk Factors and their interventions" - 3 November 2023



## Rotaract Club - 7 November 2023

On 7 November 2023, we installed the RVU Rotaract Club at a function held on our campus. The first ever Rotaract Club under Eclub of Rotary District 3191 Bangalore at RVU enlisted more than 300 students.







Analytica: Exploring the Multiverse of Analytics - 8 November 2023

The School of Business (SoB) organised an analytics conclave, "Analytica: Exploring the Multiverse of Analytics", on 8 November 2023. The day-long conclave kickstarted with a talk on "Artificial Intelligence in sports" by the keynote speaker, Dr. Shivani Rai Gupta, Chief Data Scientist, Jio.

This was followed by a fireside chat with Ms. Sushmita Deshpande from Course5, Mr. Rounak Suranshe from DataZymes, Mr. Akshay Kumar from Amazon and Mr. Abhijit Neerkaje from Falabella. The session was moderated by Rakshith BH and Masoud Huzair, Business Analysts from DataZyme.

A competition was also held for students at the undergraduate level called Insight Ink – Turning Data into Visual Stories. Designed and conducted by Ms. Smitha Suryanarayana, an accomplished strategy and analytics professional with expertise in data-driven decision-making and leadership roles at Envestnet Yodlee and Swiss Re. The students took part in teams of three. Three winning teams were given cash awards for their exemplary performance.





School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) hosted a two-day international conference on Comics and Graphic Novels, titled "Ekphrasis and the Speaking Image: Interrogating Forms of Sequential Art," on 8 and 9 November 2023 at the campus. Dr. Abhishek Chatterjee, Assistant Professor, SoLAS, coordinated the event, featuring keynote addresses by Prof. Stefan Buchenberger from Kanagawa University, Japan, and Prof. Ipshita Chanda from the English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad. Academics, graphic artists, and scholars in Comic Studies from across the country presented papers at the conference.

Ekphrasis and the 'Speaking Image': Interrogating Forms of Sequential Art - A two-day international conference on Graphic Narratives - 8 and 9 November 2023



On 8 November 2023, the Centre for Visual and Performing Arts (CVPA) organised a masterclass on "Appreciating Music" by Vidwan Mr. Bharat Sundar. He is a celebrated Carnatic singer and composer. Recipient of numerous awards and a highly accomplished vocalist, Mr. Bharat Sundar explained nuances of Carnatic music and patiently answered queries of our students pursuing art electives. He was accompanied by two highly accomplished musicians, namely, Shri Alancode VS Gokul on Violin and Shri B.R. Srinivas on Mridangam. It was a musical treat for the students and faculty members.



Vidwan Mr. Bharat Sundar conducted a masterclass, "Appreciating Music", organised by CVPA - 8 November 2023





Honouring the rich heritage of Karnataka State, student members of our Legacy club along with the staff commemorated the 50<sup>th</sup> Kannada Rajyotsava with utmost pride and reverence on 22 November 2023.





On 22 November 2023, a clothes collection drive was organised by the Rotaract Club of RV University. This was done in collaboration with National Cadet Corps (NCC), RV University and GOONJ Foundation. Fabric of Hope was a clothes donation drive where a total of eight boxes of clothes were collected on the day. These were handover to the GOONJ Foundation for distribution amongst the needy.

Fabric of Hope - A clothes collection drive by RVU's Rotaract Club in collaboration with NCC and GOONJ Foundation - 22 November 2023



RVU's Rotaract Club conducted a Blood Donation Camp in collaboration with NCC at RV University, Rotary EClub 3191 along with the Red Cross Society on 24 November 2023. Students and staff participated in the blood donation and over 334 units of blood were collected. The event was inaugurated by the District Governor 3191. Rtn. Uday Kumar Bhaskara. President, Eclub 3191 Rtn. Anupama Ramachandra and other members of the club were also present at the event.



Blood Donation Camp - 24 November 2023





The Centre for Visual and Performing Arts (CVPA) conducted a masterclass on 24 November 2023, titled "Raga and Rasa in Hindi Film Music" by Mr. Punit Jaipal Shah. Mr. Shah, a consulting engineer based in Scotland by profession, is also a classically trained tabla and sitar player. He is currently in the process of completing his part-time Ph.D. focusing on raga, taal, and rasa in Indian cinema.

During his session, Punit engaged the audience with discussions on raag, exploring its origins and delving into topics such as rasas and bhava. He also shared insights about various music composers and their compositions, celebrating the rich tapestry of Indian cinema through the universal language of music.



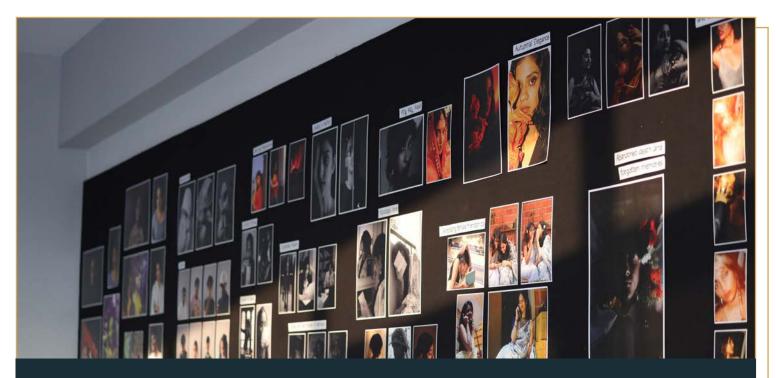
Punit Jaipal Shah - Raga and Rasa in Hindi Film Music - 24 November 2023

On 25 November 2023, the School of Computer Science and Engineering conducted a one-day seminar and hands-on workshop on AWS. The session was delivered by Mr. Sreedhar Sannidhanam, Sr. Customer Solutions Manager, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Mr. Harish Raghav, Sr. Business Operations Manager, AWS, Ms. Sujana Alluru, Customer Solutions Manager, AWS, and Mr. Anuraag Bharti Sr. Manager, Customer Solutions – Migrations & Modernization, AWS

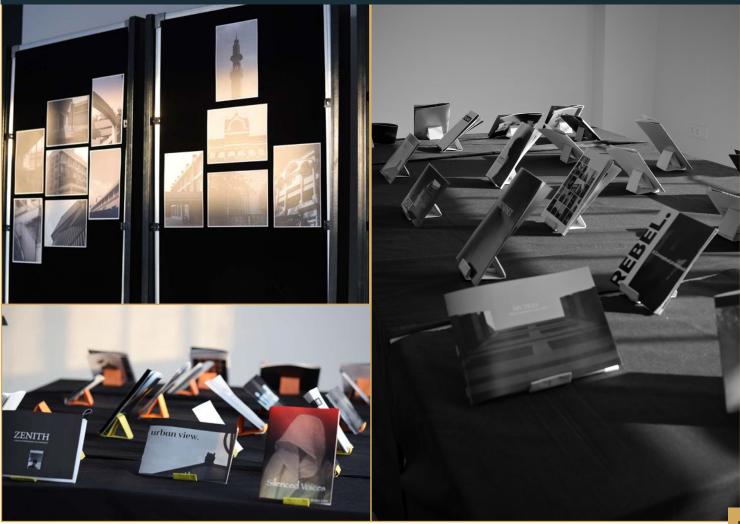


Hands-on workshop on AWS - 25 November 2023





Held between 27-29 November 2023, "Nidhaana," a photography exhibition by the third-semester Communication Design students (2022 SDI batch), was an expression of each student through individual and collaborative work, exploring the idea of creating "Narratives through Photographs, Photo Books, and Photozines" as an outcome of their "Introduction to Photography" core course in the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester.





The School of Design and Innovation (SD) organised the Design Yatra Field Notes Exhibition on 28 November 2023, showcasing students' experiences and learnings from the September 2023 Design Yatra trip to Auroville. The exhibition, with a captivating photo narrative, depicted key moments, discoveries, and the trip's impact on their creative processes.

Design Yatra Field Notes Exhibition - 28 November 2023

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) in association with the Center for Sustainable Development, SoLAS held an exhibition, "Nature's Palette: Bridging Science and Art in Foraging", by the first-year B.Tech Computer Science students on 1 December 2023. The exhibition was a unique celebration of nature's abundance through the lens of convergence of technology and sustainability.

Nature's Palette - 1 December 2023





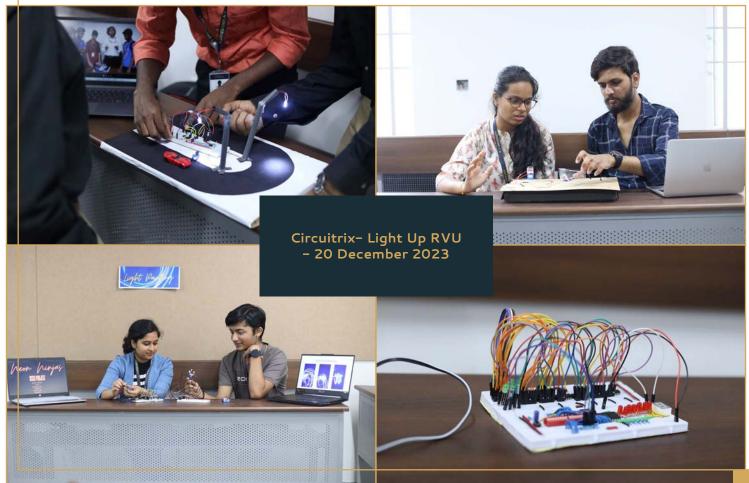
RV University was the presenting partner for Career Uttsav, a leading education consultant and marketplace that brought institutions and aspiring students together. The education fair was held in Bangalore on 9–10 December 2023, and in Indore on 23–24 December 2023.

Mr. Chetan Bhagat delivered a special talk on the topic 'Do what you love, love what you do,' alongside Dr. M.P. Shyam, President of RSST, at the inaugural event on 9 December 2023 in Bangalore. RVU faculty conducted numerous seminars and workshops, offering attendees a glimpse into the innovative and industry-aligned curriculum that sets the university apart.



The Centre of IoT and Edge Computing & Chiptech Club RVU organised a project exhibition, "Circuitrix – Light up RVU" on the theme of lights on 20 December 2023. The exhibition focused on incorporating creative and visually striking lighting elements into technological solutions through Electrifying Electronic Circuits & Systems.

Our first-year B.Tech. students demonstrated technical prowess, aesthetic appeal, and practical applications in their projects, showcasing the exciting possibilities of merging electronics with visual impact. Close to 100 projects were put up by the students.





On 22 December 2023, our faculty and staff embraced the Christmas spirit during a delightful gettogether. Engaging in games and other enjoyable activities added a special touch, making the event truly memorable.



## **Partnerships and Collaborations**



RVU, and DPU signed an MoU to enhance international educational opportunities for students - 5 October 2023

In a landmark movement towards global education and cooperation, RV University, Bengaluru, and Dhurakij Pundit University (DPU), Thailand, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 17 October 2023. This MoU marked the beginning of a dynamic partnership aimed at enhancing educational opportunities and fostering a stronger global academic network.

This MoU was signed by Professor (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy, Vice-Chancellor, RVU, and Prof. Dr. Siridech Kumsuprom, Deputy to President, Strategic Alliance, DPU Thailand. The MoU is set to bring together the expertise and resources of both institutions, promoting a bond that will greatly benefit students, faculty, and staff alike.

On 11 October 2023, RVU signed an MoU with NSE Academy Limited (NAD, a wholly owned subsidiary of the National Stock Exchange (NSE) for a postgraduate certification programme in Global Financial Markets. The programme will provide exposure to global financial market topics, practices and trends. The programme is infused with international certifications, regulatory certifications, projects, and global immersion programmes to prepare students for leadership roles in financial markets.

This MoU is an exclusive collaboration of NSE Academy in Karnataka with RV University. The MoU was signed by Shri Abilash Misra, CEO, NSE Academy, Dr. (h.c.) A.V.S. Murthy, Chancellor, RVU, Mr. D.P. Nagaraj, Pro Chancellor, RVU, Dr. Y.S.R. Murthy, Vice Chancellor, RVU, Dr. Subhashree Natarajan, Dean, School of Business and School of Economics, RVU. Mr. Ranganathan S. from NSE Academy and Dr. Sahana D. Gowda, Registrar, RVU were present on this occasion.



NSE Academy Limited collaborates with RV University for postgraduate Certification Programme in Global Financial Markets and NSMART Finance Lab



RVU and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), a statutory body set up under an Act of Parliament, have entered into an MoU on 10 November 2023. The MoU involves collaborations in the areas of interinstitutional visits, faculty exchange, staff development, academic publications, research, and educational collaboration. The MoU also entails collaborations for faculty development programmes in the areas of common interest, apart from joint organization of workshops, conferences, seminars, and similar academic programmes with the aim of capacity building.

The MoU was signed at the ICAI office in Hyderabad by Dr. Subhashree Natarajan, Dean, School of Business and School of Economics, RVU and Ms. Vandana D. Nagpal, Chairman, Board of Studies, ICAI, in the presence of representatives of the academic council at ICAI.

On 15 November 2023, RVU signed an MoU with the University of Nicosia in Cyprus which will facilitate access for our students to Erasmus Mundus Scholarships in Europe.





Our Pro Chancellor, Mr. D.P. Nagaraj met Mr. Nakayama Yasuyuki, First Secretary (Education), at the Embassy of Japan in New Delhi, along with Mr. Taisei Toyomaru, Director of The Japan Foundation, and their colleagues. During the meeting, they discussed potential collaboration opportunities and creating joint initiatives with Japanese universities, highlighting RVU's existing MoU with Kanagawa University.

Mr. Toyomaru has agreed to design a curriculum for our Japan Language Center, support an approved faculty, and provide certified courses to our students in the near future.



On 28 December 2023, RVU signed an MoU with Cagayan State University (CSU), Philippines.

Dr. Theresa B. Dimalanta, Vice President for Internationalization, Partnership and Resource Mobilization, CSU, Kristinne A. Lara, Director for Domestic and International Partnership, CSU, Dr. Antonio Cabalbag, Campus Executive Officer, CSU Aparri and Dr. Rodel Alegado, Campus Executive Officer, CSU and Sanchez Mira, CSU were present along with RVU Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy and Director of International Relations, RVU, Ms. Hemalata Sharma.

Broadrange.AI, a pioneer in the field of AI technologies, signed an MoU with RV University to jointly advance the realm of Generative AI. This strategic partnership aims to combine the strengths of both institutions, creating a nurturing foundation for India's emerging tech enthusiasts to explore the vast opportunities within the US AI industry.

