

RVU's Pursuit of Excellence



Message from the Vice Chancellor

January–March 2024 quarter has been a very productive period for the RV University (RVU) with continuing strides in internationalisation. Collaborations were forged with several international universities in the USA, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand, among other countries. We have signed an MoU with BridgeWater University, USA, Atlantis University, USA, Siam University, Thailand along with a signing of Letter of Intent with the Kanagawa University, Japan. RVU will continue to build substantive partnerships in the coming months. These alliances will open up excellent learning opportunities to our students and faculty.

RVU is delighted to announce that it has secured the prestigious **QS I-GAUGE E-Learning Excellence for Academic Digitization (E-LEAD)** certification. Our journey towards this certification involved meticulous data collection, evaluation, and assessment of performance metrics. After an extensive and rigorous audit process, we received our QS E-LEAD certification.

The School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) hosted Teen Indie Film Awards (TIFA) 2024. It is a matter of great pride that TIFA 2024, which is into its third edition, received more than 300 entries from 30+ countries across the world.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all our stakeholders for their unwavering support, commitment, and trust in our shared vision. Together, we will continue to achieve significant milestones and empower future generations.



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

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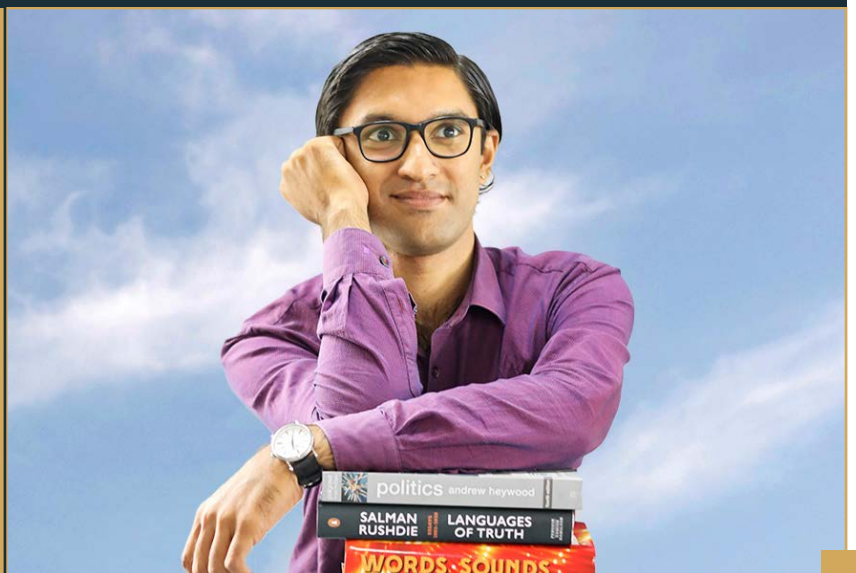
Announcements

RV University (RVU) secures QS E-LEAD certification



Admissions open for Ph.D. programmes

The Office of Research and Doctoral Studies is inviting applications for the fifth cycle of full-time and part-time Ph.D. admissions (April - August 2024). The fourth cycle of Ph.D. admissions were completed in March 2024, taking the total strength of Ph.D. scholars to 79.



On 26 January 2024, RV Educational Institutions (RVEI) organised held their annual get-together to recognise the academic contributions of the faculty and students. 21 members of RVU were felicitated at a ceremony held at the newly designed, state-of-the-art auditorium, Mangala Mantapa.



Faculty and students recognised for their academic contributions



On the same day, the members of the Trust along with the senior leadership of RVU launched the RVU's first-ever coffee table book, "In pursuit of Excellence in Teaching, Research and Innovation." This book is a compilation of the messages and good wishes that the VC secured through his network of several years at the launch of the University in 2021. Some of these messages are from the Hon'ble Former Vice President of India, Chief Justice of India, former Chief Justices of India, former Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh, Union Home Minister, Ministers for Road Transport and Education, other constitutional authorities like CAG, Chief Election Commissioner (CEC), Attorney General, Judges of Supreme Court and High Courts, Deputy Chairman, Rajyasabha, Chairman, UGC, NAAC, AICTE and distinguished academics like Prof. C.N.R. Rao and Dr. Kasturi Rangan among several others.

Launch of the coffee table book, "In pursuit of Excellence in Teaching, Research and Innovation."



Distinguished Public Lecture Series



The School of Business (SoB) organised a distinguished talk on “Publishing in Top Tier Journals: Editor’s Perspective” on 2 January 2024. The talk was delivered by Dr. Sandeep Rao, Associate Professor and Programme Chair – M.Sc. Finance, DCU Business School, Dublin City University, Ireland. Dr. Rao is also the editor of three leading journals.



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The Centre for Human Rights Studies (CHRS), School of Law (SoL) organised a guest lecture by Mr. Babloo Loitongbam, Executive Director, Human Rights Alert on 2 January 2024. Mr. Loitongbam gave a discourse on “Peace & Reconciliation in Manipur, The Way Forward”.



Mr. Babloo Loitongbam, Executive Director, Human Rights Alert, Manipur



Prof. (Dr.) C. Gopinath, Strategy and International Business Department, Suffolk University, USA

The School of Business (SoB) organised a Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on “Experiential Learning Methods”. This half-day session was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) C. Gopinath, Strategy and International Business Department, Suffolk University, USA on 4 January 2024.



School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) hosted a Distinguished Public Lecture on "Integrating Software and Systems Engineering: A Model-Based Framework for Human-Centric Design of Augmented Reality Applications" on 9 January 2024. Dr. Kavitha Chandra, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Affairs, Prof of Electrical & Computer Engineering, University of Massachusetts Lowell delivered an engaging lecture which was attended by students, staff and faculty members.



Dr. Kavitha Chandra, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Affairs, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Massachusetts Lowell, USA



The School of Law (SoL) organised a talk 11 January 2024 on 'Ensuring a rights-based approach to Public Parks in India.' The talk was delivered by Ms. Dolashree Mysoor, Assistant Professor, Jindal Global Law School, O.P. Jindal Global University.

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Dr. Sajjan Shiva, Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Memphis delivered a session on 'Machine Learning System Development Life Cycle – State of the Art' on 11 January 2024. This distinguished public lecture was organised by the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE).

On 11 January 2024, our School of Law (SoL) hosted a distinguished public lecture on 'Engaging with Union and State Governments to positively impact legal change.' It was delivered by Mr. Alok Prasanna, Co-founder and Lead, Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, Karnataka.



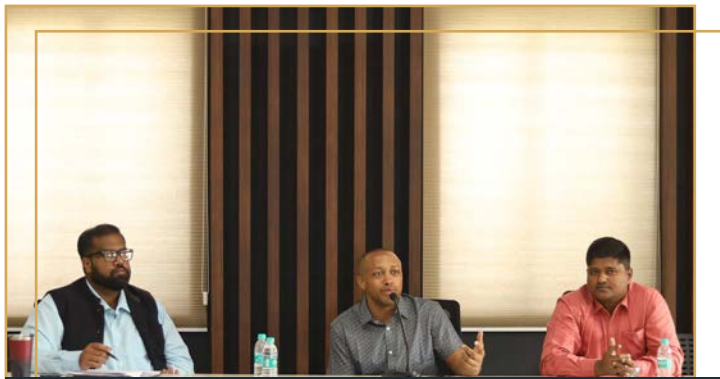
Mr. Alok Prasanna, Co-founder and Lead, Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy, Karnataka



The Centre for Health Law and Ethics (CHLE), School of Law (SoL) organised a sensitisation programme on 'Women's Health through Life- Challenges and Interventions' on 18 January 2024. The talk was delivered by Rtn. Dr. Aruna Muralidhar, Senior Obstetrician and Gynecologist with Cloudnine Hospital, Bangalore.



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Dr. Kwan-Lamar Blount-Hill, Assistant Professor, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Arizona State University, USA

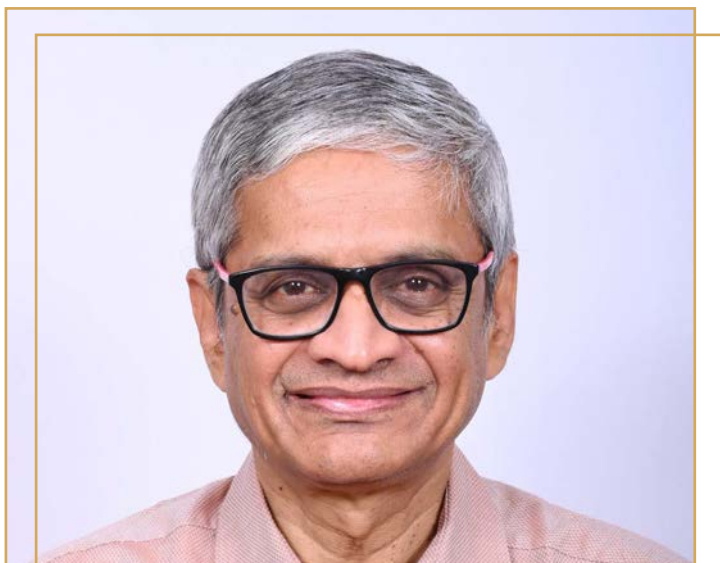
Centre for Victimological Research and Victim Assistance (CVRVA), SoL hosted a Distinguished Public Lecture on "Empirical Criminal Legal Jurisprudence: Developing Science-Supported, Inclusive, and Effective Legal Systems and Practice" on 18 January 2024.

This online lecture was delivered by Dr. Kwan-Lamar Blount-Hill, Ph.D., JD, Assistant Professor, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Affiliated Faculty, Center for Violence Prevention and Community Safety Program Lead for Justice and Equity in Conservation, Center for Biodiversity Outcomes Arizona State University, USA.

The Centre for Migration and Citizenship Studies (CMCS) organised its inaugural event, a panel discussion on 'Citizenship and Indian Society.' The panelists were Ms. Darshana Mitra, Assistant Professor, National Law School of India University and Ms. Leah Verghese, Research Manager, DAKSH, Bengaluru. The discussion took place on 22 January 2024.



Ms. Darshana Mitra, Assistant Professor, NLSIU and Ms. Leah Verghese, Research Manager, DAKSH, Bengaluru



Mr. R. Anand, Chartered Accountant and Independent Director

The School of Business (SoB) hosted a distinguished talk on "Marching Towards Five Trillion-Dollar Economy – Opportunities and Prospects". This CXO talk was organised to discuss and understand the expectations from the interim Union Budget 2024 by Mr. R. Anand, Chartered Accountant. This session was attended by the BBA and B.Com students who expressed their appreciation for Mr. Anand's insights and perspectives on economic data.



Prof. R.K. Chopra, Former Professor, UPES, Dehradun

The School of Law (SoL) organised a Public Lecture by Prof. R.K. Chopra, Former Professor, UPES, Dehradun on 24 January 2024. The topic for the lecture was "Judicial Review in India: Covering Various Facets".



School of Business (SoB) conducted a Seminar Talk on "My journey and the endless possibilities of a CPA designation" on 25 January 2024. Mr. Anoop N. Mehta, CPA, CGMA, Immediate Past Chairman, Association of International Certified Professional Accountants and Chief Strategist, Analytical Mechanics Associates, Hampton, USA shared his experiences with students and staff.



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On 25 January 2024, School of Design and Innovation (SDI) conducted its first Industry lecture of 2024 titled, "Design and Innovation at Airports", which explored the intersection of design and innovation in shaping the future of airports. Mr. Arun Sheshanarayana, General Manager - Innovation Lab at Bangalore International Airport Ltd. delivered the talk which was attended by the B.Des 4th & 6th semester students and RVU faculty.

Mr. Arun Sheshanarayana, General Manager - Innovation Lab at Bangalore International Airport Ltd.



School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) launched its Centre for Computer Science Education (CCSE) on 30 January 2024. It was inaugurated by Prof. Shriram Krishnamurthi, Professor of Computer Science, Vice President for Programming Languages, Brown University, USA. It was followed by a seminar on "Programming before you Program" by Prof. Krishnamurthi.

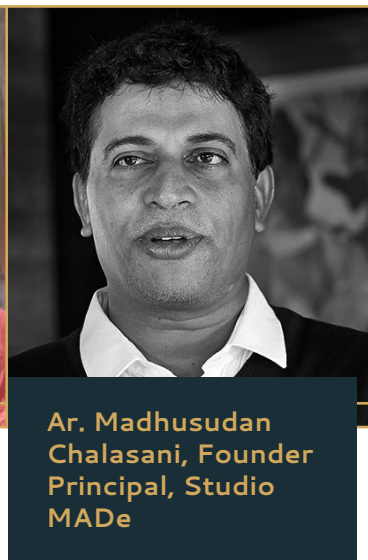
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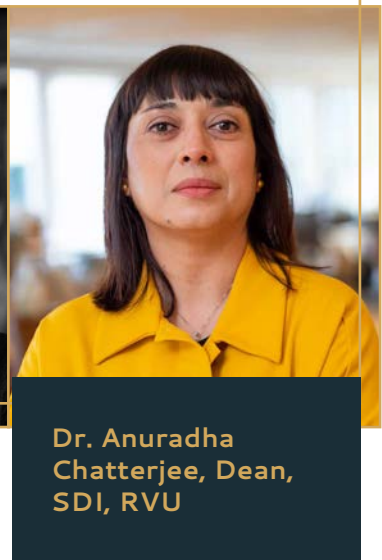
Dr. Meenu Bhabhani, Regional Head (APAC), VP, Global Inclusion, Diversity & Equity, State Street



Ar. Natasha Iype, Founder, Courtyard Koota



Ar. Madhusudan Chalasani, Founder Principal, Studio MADe



Dr. Anuradha Chatterjee, Dean, SDI, RVU

School of Design and Innovation (SDI) hosted a thought-provoking panel discussion on the launch of their new programme, Interior Environments. The panel, comprising Dr. Meenu Bhabhani, Regional Head (APAC), VP, Global Inclusion, Diversity & Equity, State Street, Ar. Natasha Iype, Founder, Courtyard Koota, Ar. Madhusudan Chalasani, Founder Principal, Studio MADe, Dr. Anuradha Chatterjee, Dean, SDI, RV University, and Ms. Agnishikha Choudhuri, Programme Director, Interior Environments, delved into the evolving role of future designers in shaping spaces for a sustainable and inclusive future. Held virtually on 31 January 2024, it was moderated by Ms. Choudhuri.



Ms. Agnishikha Choudhuri, Programme Director, Interior Environments, RVU



Dr. J.B.G. Tilak, ICSSR National Fellow & Distinguished Professor Council for Social Development, New Delhi inaugurated RVU's 'Centre for Research in Education Studies and Training' (CREST) on 2 February 2024 and delivered a seminar on "Higher Education Policy and Development".



Dr. J.B.G. Tilak, ICSSR National Fellow & Distinguished Professor Council for Social Development, New Delhi inaugurated the Centre for Research in Education Studies and Training

The School of Business (SoB) hosted a panel discussion on the Interim Budget 2024 on 2 February 2024. The panelists were Mr. K. Annamalai, Investment Consultant, and Mr. Madhu Sudan Rao, Agricultural Economist.



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The School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) organised a guest lecture on the topic, "Emerging Trends in Media Research". The talk was delivered on 8 February 2024 by media veteran, Prof. K. V. Nagaraj, Former Pro Vice Chancellor, Assam University.

Prof. K. V. Nagaraj, Former Pro Vice Chancellor, Assam University



Mr. Santosh Kumar, Country Manager, India, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Indonesia, Booking.com

Mr. Santosh Kumar, Country Manager, India, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Indonesia, Booking.com delivered a CXO talk on "Leadership lessons in a Changing World" on 9 February 2024. The talk was organised by the School of Business (SoB).



The Centre for Victimological Research and Victim Assistance (CVRVA) hosted its seventh lecture from the Lecture Series on Victimology and Victim Justice. It was an online session on "Safe Justice for Victims of Crime: The Latest European Achievements and New Challenges". The lecture was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Dobrinka Chankova, Professor of Criminal Procedure Law, South-West University, Bulgaria Founder and Chair, Institute of Conflict Resolution - Sofia (NGO) on 12 February 2024.

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Ms. Teresa Jacobs, Executive Director, International Skill Development Corp

Ms. Teresa Jacobs, Executive Director, International Skill Development Corp delivered a session under the School of Business' CXO talk series on 12 February 2024. Attended by the students, Ms. Jacobs spoke on the topic, "Standing out from Crowd: Professional Certifications for Global Career".

RVU hosted a Guest Lecture on "Why thinking is sticky - Habits and behaviour change" by Prof. Nigel Holt, Chair, Head of Department (Psychology), Department of Psychology, Aberystwyth University, UK on 13 February 2024. The lecture was attended by the students, faculty and staff.



Prof. Nigel Holt, Chair, Head of Department (Psychology), Department of Psychology, Aberystwyth University, UK



SDI organised a panel discussion on Transdisciplinary Design, an Emerging Pathway for Design Intervention on 19 February 2024.

Dr. Dolly Daou, Head of Master of Design at NACAA the 1st Sino-french design institute, Mr. Nicolai Bo Andersen, Professor at the Royal Danish Academy – Centre for Sustainable Building Culture, Mr. Wouter Haspeslagh, Course co-ordinator for the MA in Transdisciplinary Design at the Instituto Europeo di Design, Milan, Italy. The panel was moderated by: Mr. Sudhakar Damodaraswamy, Professor of Practice, RV University, School of Design and Innovation



Dr. K.S. James, Former Director, IIPS, Mumbai

Centre for Contemporary Economics (CCE), School of Economics (SoE) and Centre for Sustainable Development (CSD), School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted a distinguished lecture by Dr. K.S. James, Former Director, IIPS, Mumbai on 'Demography, Data and Development.' The talk was delivered on 23 February 2024.

Mr. Sudhanshu Kaushik is an international youth activist known for founding Young India Foundation (YIF) delivered a lecture on "Youth, Elections and Democracy in India". This was organised by the Centre for Elections and Democracy (CED) in India, SoLAS on 26 February 2024.

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SoCSE organised a distinguished guest lecture by Dr. Umamaheswaran R, Former Director of Human Space Flight Center, ISRO to commemorate the National Science Day on 28 February 2024. Dr. Umamaheswaran delivered an engaging talk on "Indian Space Odyssey: Sounding Rockets to Gaganyaan."

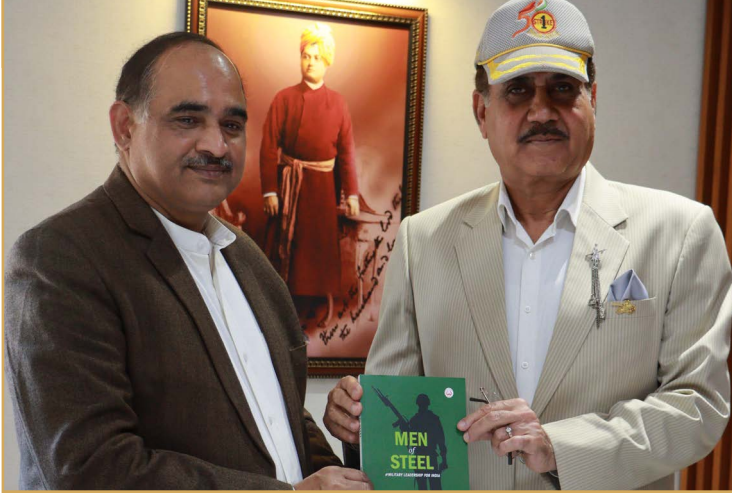
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The School of Business and School of Economics organised two distinguished talks by Lt. General A. K. Singh, Former Lt. Governor of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Puducherry on 29 February 2024. The topics for these sessions were “Nuances of Governance & Public Policy” and “Strategic Leadership”.

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The Centre for Sustainable Development (CSD) hosted a distinguished lecture by the ecologist and science educator, Dr. Suhel Quader, Senior Scientist at the Nature Conservation Foundation (NCF), Bengaluru on 11 March 2024. The was an talk-cum-interactive session, titled “How citizen science can change the world”.

Dr. Suhel Quader, Senior Scientist at the Nature Conservation Foundation (NCF), Bengaluru



Mr. Vinod Chandran, Founder and CEO of Mylogic

The School of Business (SoB) organised a talk on “Emerging Trends in Finance” on 12 March 2024. Mr. Vinod Chandran, Founder and CEO of Mylogic enabled the student participants to understand the career prospects in the mainstream and sub-fields of financial sector, along with the qualifications and skillset required.



On 12 March 2024, the Centre For Gender Studies (CGS) hosted its inaugural lecture on "Labouring Bodies: Women, Work, And Health" by Ms. Sweta Dash. Ms. Dash is a public health researcher and is currently working with The George Institute for Global Health, India, as a Research Fellow.

Ms. Sweta Dash, Research Fellow, The George Institute for Global Health, India

RVU hosted a distinguished public lecture by Dr. Ravi Chockalingam, Physician – Psychiatrist & Public Health Scholar, US Department of Veterans Affairs, Saint Louis, USA on 13 March 2024. The topic for the lecture was "Reality as an experience". The session was attended by students, staff and faculty. Further, Dr. Ravi Chockalingam has been appointed as an Honorary Adjunct Professor for Psychology in School of Liberal Arts and Sciences.



Dr. Ravi Chockalingam, Physician – Psychiatrist & Public Health Scholar, US Department of Veterans Affairs, Saint Louis, USA



The School of Law hosted a distinguished public lecture by Dr. Jayanth Krishnan, Milt and Judi Stewart Professor of Law at the Indiana University Maurer School of Law and the Director of the Milt and Judi Stewart Center on the Global Legal Profession and Prof. (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar, Founding Vice Chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global (Institution of Eminence Deemed To Be University) (JGU) on "The Past, Present And Future Of Indian Legal Education: Comparative Perspectives". It was held on 13 March 2024.



Dr. Jayanth Krishnan, Professor of Law, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, USA and Prof. (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar, Founding Vice Chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU), Sonipat, India



Dr. Sowmya Dhanaraj, Senior Research Fellow, Good Business Lab

On 15 March 2024, Dr. Sowmya Dhanaraj, Senior Research Fellow, Good Business Lab delivered a lecture on “Liquidity crunch and flexi-salary: Workplace financial intervention for female garment workers in India”. This was organised by the Centre for Contemporary Economics (CCE), School of Economics.

As part of the Lecture Series on Victimology and Victim Justice, CVRVA organised the Lecture 8 on “Victim Rights and Posttraumatic Change – Reflections from Canada’s Federal Ombudsperson for Victims of Crime” on 15 March 2024. Mr. Michael O’Connell, Vice-President, NGO Alliance on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Former Commissioner for Victims’ Rights, South Australia, Former Secretary-General, World Society of Victimology delivered this online.



Mr. Michael O’Connell, Vice-President, NGO Alliance on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Former Commissioner for Victims’ Rights, South Australia



Dr. Alphonsa Jose K., Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Bangalore Yeshwanthpur Campus, Christ University

The School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted a distinguished public lecture by Dr. Alphonsa Jose K., Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Bangalore Yeshwanthpur Campus, Christ University on 15 March 2024. Dr. Alphonsa spoke on “Decision-making in Environmental Design and Future Directions in Environmental Psychology”.



Mr. Santosh V., Manager, Dept of IT, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) delivered a special lecture on Financial Technologies and Financial Inclusion. The talk was organised by the School of Business and Centre for Banking, Development and Financial Studies (CBDFS) on 20 March 2024.

Mr. Santosh V., Manager, Dept of IT, RBI



The School of Law (SoL) organised a Public Lecture on "BNSS Promises and Failures" by Mr. Nipun Saxena, Advocate, Supreme Court of India. The lecture was delivered on 22 March 2024.

Mr. Nipun Saxena, Advocate, Supreme Court of India



The Centre for Literature and Translation Studies (CLTS) , School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted a distinguished public lecture by Prof. Tejaswini Niranjana, Director, Centre for Inter-Asian Research, and Dean, Online Programmes, at Ahmedabad University, titled "Digital Intimacies: Young Women and Technology in Globalizing Asia" on 26 March 2024. The session was attended by staff and students of RVU.

Prof. Tejaswini Niranjana, Director, Centre for Inter-Asian Research, and Dean, Online Programmes, Ahmedabad University

The Centre for Human Insights (CHI), School of Business (SoB), hosted an industry lecture by Ms. Mitali Chatterjee, Vice President – Insurance Research Manager, Swiss Re Institute on 26 March 2024. Ms. Chatterjee spoke on "India's life and health insurance – A tale of cautious optimism." The lecture was attended by students and staff.



Ms. Mitali Chatterjee, Vice President – Insurance Research Manager, Swiss Re Institute

Student Achievements



Installations by SDI Students at the KGAF 2024

19 students from the School of Design and Innovation (SDI) were chosen by the Curatorial Committee of the Kala Ghoda Arts Festival (KGAF) 2024 to showcase four large-scale installations at the renowned Kala Ghoda Arts Festival (KGAF) in Mumbai, held from 20–28 January 2024. These students were selected to exhibit installation art as part of the Visual Arts vertical. Mr. Vinayak Varma, along with Prof. Monika Bijlani, Associate Professor co-mentored the students.



We are immensely proud of Ms. Shreya Srinivas, a second-year UXD, B. Des. student, for participating in UTSARA MARATHON in the 5 km category and for winning the first prize in the DQ Labs DH23 Design Hackathon in the UG PG Category along with Rs. 10,000 cash prize.

We applaud her remarkable accomplishments and look forward to her continued success.



Ms. Shreya Srinivas



Book launch on the occasion of National Science Day

On the occasion of National Science Day on 28 February, we celebrated it by unveiling “Thirty Pioneering Scientists from India,” a captivating book authored by our B.Tech. students of the 2023 batch, from School of Computer Science and Engineering, and compiled by our professors, Dr. Baishali Garai and Dr. Sanjay Chitnis.

This tribute underscores the resilience and unwavering spirit of renowned Indian scientists who have left an indelible mark on the global scientific landscape. Through this initiative, RVU continues to foster a culture of scientific curiosity, showcasing the dedication of our students to appreciating the scientific method and cultivating a profound scientific temper.



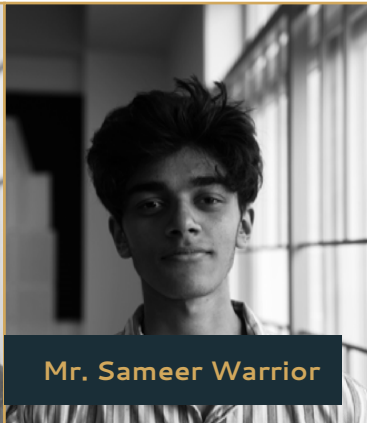


Ms. Nandana, BBA student from the School of Business is the first student to visit Dhurakji Pundit University (DPU) in Thailand as part of the student exchange programme.

Ms. Nandana visited DPU, Thailand as part of student exchange programme



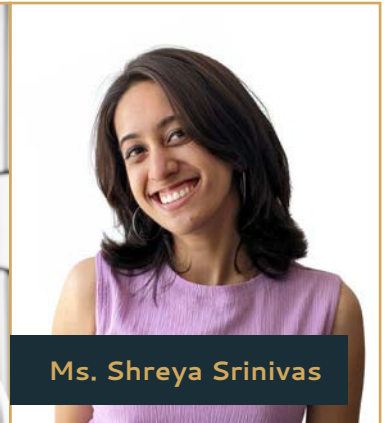
Ms. Vaibhavi M.R.



Mr. Sameer Warrior



Mr. Abhinav Chandra



Ms. Shreya Srinivas



Ms. Ruchitha Datta



Ms. Khushi Singhal



Mr. Aditya Vikram Mohan

Seven SDI students, namely Ms. Vaibhavi M.R., Mr. Aditya Vikram Mohan, Mr. Sameer Warrior, Mr. Abhinav Chandra, Ms. Shreya Srinivas, Ms. Khushi Singhal, Ms. Ruchitha Datta, participated in the "World Illustration Awards 2024 annual exhibition organised by the Association of Illustrators, UK.



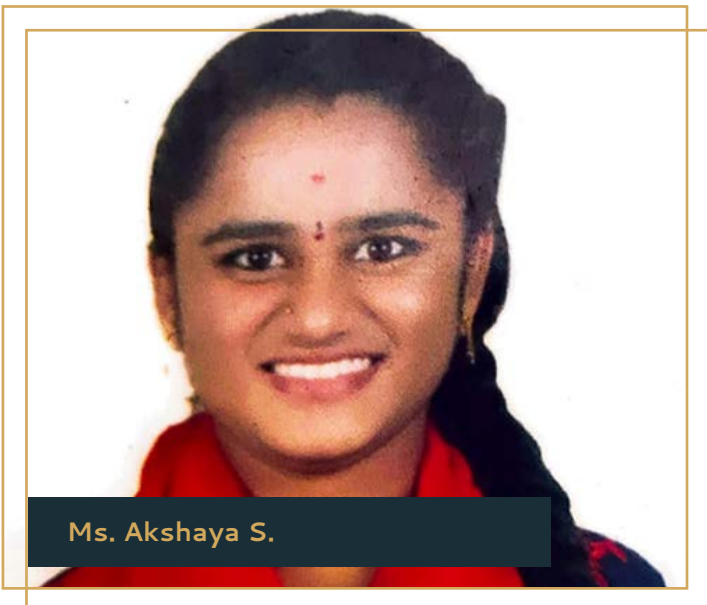
Mr. Akshay Kumar

A team from the Industry Internship Program comprising Mr. Akshay Kumar (B.Sc. 2nd year student) and Mr. Suresh N., Assistant Professor, SoCSE worked with an individual inventor, Mr. Srinivasan Udapa who has developed an algorithmic trading software called Sureshot. Mr. Udapa needed support for software automation, patent filing and possible entrepreneurial activities which might result in student startups. Our team traveled to Chennai from 8 - 10 January 2024 to demonstrate the capability for automation and secured a Rs 25,000/- consultancy for patent filing and incidental expenses for understanding automation requirements.

Our SDI student, Ms. Vishishta Kiran won a Bronze medal in the Gymnastics National Championship held at Jammu. Hearty congratulations to her and Team RVU.



Ms. Vishishta Kiran



Ms. Akshaya S.

Eight first-year SoCSE students, 5 from B.Sc, 2 from B.Tech. and 1 from B.C.A. participated in the 13th SCMA Rapid Chess tournament held at RV institute of Technology and Management (RVITM), Bangalore on 31 March 2024. Akshaya S. of B.Sc. won the fourth position in the 'above 18' girls category.



Mr. Pranav Bhat

Mr. Pranav Bhat, a Ph.D. scholar in the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), RVU, has received two funded grants for his virtual start-up, An Astraea Innovative Solutions, incubated at RVU and part of Centre for Innovation & Entrepreneurship.

Mr. Bhat has also received a NIDHI Prayas grant for the virtual start-up. His project is a remote lake pollutant monitoring system, an extension of Dr. Pullela's sewage & lake water treatment project.

Furthermore, he has received a grant from the Government of Karnataka for a project titled, "Elevate for Geographical Indication (GI) filing & GI Tourism", which is an extension of Prof. Pullela's research of the past two years. Mr

Sharath Kumar (Manager, Office of Doctoral Studies, and a Ph.D. scholar in the SoCSE, RVU) is also a part of the incubated start-up, called An Astraea Innovative Solutions.

Prof. Phani Kumar Pullela is the research supervisor for both Mr. Pranav Bhat and Mr. Sharath Kumar.

Mr. Prashant Raju, a Ph.D. scholar in SoCSE, RVU, has received a NIDHI Prayas grant for his RVU virtual incubated start-up. Mr. Prashant Raju's research supervisor is Prof. Phani Kumar Pullela and the project is a low pressure thermo faucet, an extension of Prof. Pullela's group's water atomizer project.



Mr. Prashant Raju

Our RVU virtual incubatee & incubated startup led by Mr. Akshay Mashelkar has received the Govt of Karnataka Elevate Grant. He is among the only two toppers in Elevate Grant who qualified for the full grant. The project is games with purpose, wherein the mathematics is made simple to school children through games and is part of Centre for Innovation & Entrepreneurship headed by Dr. Pullela.



Mr. Akshay Mashelkar

Faculty and staff Achievements



Dr. Arpitha H.C.

Dr. Arpitha H.C., Programme Director, LL.M., School of Law (SoL) successfully defended her Ph.D. thesis titled, "Right to die with dignity: a critical analysis of the existing legal framework in India and a blueprint for the future" at the School of Legal Studies, CMR University and received her degree on 14 February 2024.

On 7 January 2024, Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (Executive Education) at RVU, was honored with the "Utkrisht Kriti – Kavita Vidya" award for the year 2024–25 by the Jaipur Sahitya Sangiti. This prestigious recognition was for his debut poetry collection titled 'Ummido ke Pankh', which was celebrated during the Jaipur Sahitya Samman Samaroh. Following this, his poetry book "Mere Aasaan Jhooth" was publicly launched. Shri Arvind Kumar Sambhav, a noted author and chief curator of the Jaipur awards, alongside Maya Mrig, CEO of Bodhi Prakashan, and Madhav Joshi, an accomplished author and cartoonist presented him with the award and unveiled his book during the event.

In February 2024, Dr. Uniyal's poems were featured on Hindawi, a renowned literary platform curated by the Rekhta Foundation (Urdu).



Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal





Dr. Veena A., Associate Professor and Programme Director-MBA, School of Business, published a paper on "Inclusion of Sexual Health Education for the Wellbeing and Dignity of Secondary School Children: An Indian Rural Perspective". This was published in the Journal of Health Management 25(4) 792–801, 2023' on 29 December 2023.

Dr. Vijayalakshmi S., Assistant Professor, School of Business published a book titled, "Economic and Environmental Cost of Traffic Congestion". This was published by Routledge on 1 January 2024.



Dr. Vijayalakshmi S.



Dr. Sanchi Rai

Scopus Q1 journal, Millennium: Journal of International Studies published an article by Assistant Professor from the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Dr. Sanchi Rai, on 8 January 2024. The title of the paper was "Resolving the Theseus Paradox at the Cusp of Independence: The Battle to Become the Legal Successor of British India".



Dr. Kitty Mukherjee, Assistant Dean, School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) moderated a session at the International Conference on Media, Politics, and Governance conducted by the School of Communication, St. Joseph's university on 23 January 2024.

Dr. Varadurga Bhat, Assistant Professor from the School of Economics (SoE) published a paper on "Deforestation, Climate Change and the Sustainability of Agriculture: A Review". It was published by the Journal of Resources and Ecology on 24 January 2024.



Dr. Shobana Padmanabhan, Faculty and Director – M.Tech. and Dhee Center for AI and Data Science at SoCSE, along with students and faculty of PESU co-authored a paper on "Optimised Round Robin with Virtual Runtime for CPU Scheduling". It was published as part of the Computing Conference Proceedings in Springer series, "Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems" on 6 January 2024.



Dr. Hasan Akhtar

Dr. Hasan Akhtar, Assistant Professor (Environmental Science), School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) published an article along with four others in the highly reputed international journal, "Nature Biofilms and Microbiomes Journal" on 23 January 2024. It took the team of authors six years, since they conceived this study, multiple field campaigns, and a generous funding from the Ministry of Education, Singapore and Singapore Centre for Environmental Life Sciences and Engineering to accomplish this. This article is partly based on Dr. Hasan Akhtar's Ph.D. work at the National University of Singapore.

Prof. (Dr.) Anuradha Chatterjee, Dean, School of Design and Innovation (SDI) was invited to deliver the keynote at WoArch 2024: Women as Builders, Designers, and Critics of the Built Environment Before 1800, organised by the University of Arkansas Rome Center in collaboration with the School of Architecture + Planning at the University of Texas at San Antonio, and supported by the Women in Architecture Affiliate Group of the Society of Architectural Historians. This three-day research conference was held in Rome, Italy from 25-27 January 2024.



Prof. (Dr.) Anuradha Chatterjee





Dr. Baishali Garai, Associate Professor at the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), has recently published two papers in two distinct domains: One in Nanotechnology and the other in Machine learning and deep learning domain.

Her nanotechnology paper, titled "A Comparative Study of Reduced Graphene Oxide Synthesized through Different Techniques for UV-C Radiation Detection Application," has been accepted in the Journal Physica Scripta (Scopus Q1 Journal) and was published on 21 February 2024.

Additionally, her second paper, titled "Navigating

Activity Cliffs with Neural Combinatorial Optimization: A Graph-Based Roadmap for Drug Discovery," was presented at the 2024 IEEE International Conference on Contemporary Computing and Communications held at Christ University, Bangalore, on 15-16 March 2024.

On 8 March 2024, Dr. Garai and Dr. Vidya M.J. (Assistant Professor, SoCSE) have been awarded the DST grant (Department of Science and Technology) of Rs. 30 lakhs from the Government of India. Dr. Garai is the principal investigator and Dr. Vidya is the co-investigator.

They received this grant for the development of sensors with nanomaterials for environmental monitoring and for taking it towards the advanced technology readiness level under the project titled, "Graphene derivative-based detectors for radiation monitoring and ozone layer crisis management".



Dr. Shabbeer Basha, Associate Professor at the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), has authored two papers. The first paper, titled "Deep Model Compression Based on Training History," was published by Elsevier in the Q1 Journal Neurocomputing with an Impact Factor of 6 on 7 January 2024. The second paper, titled "Target-Aware Network Architecture Search and Compression for Efficient Knowledge Transfer," was published by Springer in the Q1 Journal Multimedia Systems with an Impact Factor of 3.9 on 24 January 2024.



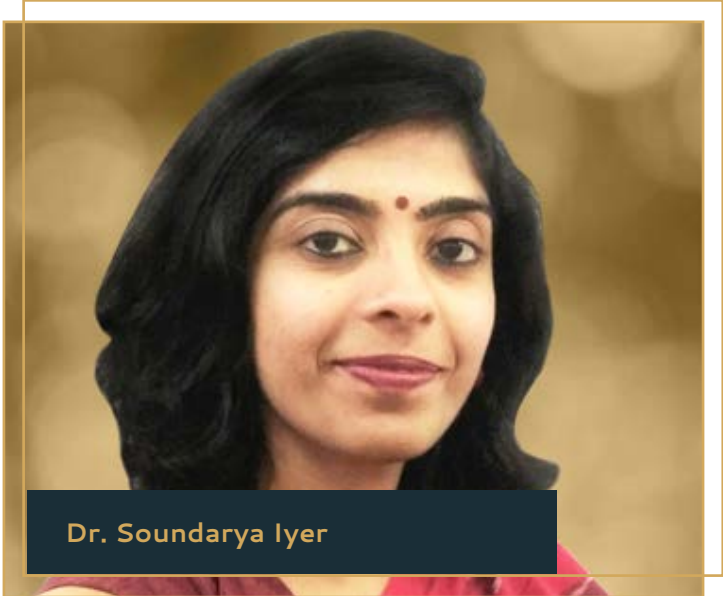


Prof. (Dr.) Sanjay R. Chitnis, Dean, School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), was part of a panel at the EDU-AI event. This event was attended by more than 70 principals of schools in Bangalore. It was organised by the Bangalore Sahodaya Schools' Association on 13 February 2024 and Dr. Pramath Raj Sinha Founder of Harappa Education, 9.9 Group, Ashoka University, Vedica Scholars Programme for Women, and Naropa Fellowship was the chief guest.

Dr. Chitnis was also part of the evaluation committee for funding proposals submitted to IIT Bombay as part of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.

Ms. Yukti Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Law authored a paper on "Failing Legal Aid System in India: Possible Solutions" was published in the International Journal of Law Management & Humanities on 22 February 2024.

Ms. Kumar's second paper on "International Humanitarian Law and The Israel Gaza War: A Conundrum". This was published in Legal Service India E-Journal on 10 March 2024.



Dr. Soundarya Iyer, Assistant Professor, SoLAS joined the Editorial Board of the Indian Academy of Sciences journal DIALOGUE: Science, Scientists, and Society for a three-year term from 2024-2026.



RVU presented an enriching panel discussion titled 'City as a Character in Cinema' at the Kala Ghoda Arts Festival '24. Held on 24 January 2024, this panel discussed the cinematic exploration of the vibrant city of Mumbai with thought-provoking conversations. The panel was led by RVU faculty members – Prof. (Dr.) Piyush Roy, Ms. Monika Bijlani, Dr. Suraj Gogoi, and Mr. Parvaz Lamba were joined by other renowned personalities like Sooni Taraporevala. The panel was moderated by Ms. Vinta Nanda.

Prof. (Dr.) Lakshmi Arya Thathachar, Dean – Research, RVU was a speaker at “Liberalism in the Indian Context: Interdisciplinary Explorations”, an event organised by the Bangalore International Centre on 2 March 2024. The event was a book launch of R. Krishnaswamy and Atreyee Majumder (Eds.), Liberalism and its Encounters in India: Some Interdisciplinary Approaches, London: Routledge, 2023. Prof. Lakshmi Arya Thathachar spoke about the chapter that she has contributed to the book. The chapter is titled “Freedom, Self and Truth: The ‘Liberty’ in Liberalism”



Mr. Suresh N. Assistant Professor, SoCSE along with Dr. Pullela have conducted patent awareness sessions for research scholars, doctors & professors from Manipal Hospital through our RVU incubated startup “An Astraea Innovative Solutions” and secured a Rs 90,000/- industrial consultancy fee. This activity also resulted in a paid internship of Rs 7,000 each for our second-year B.Sc. students, Mr. Akshay Kumar B, Ms. Spoorthy T., Ms. Manesha P., Mr. Mithun Gowda, Ms. Ananya S., Ms. Chandana B., and Ms. Ishita D. at An Astraea.



On 3 March 2024, Mr. Chethan Bopanna, Senior Executive, Outreach played for the Coorg Planters Kodagu team and secured the runner-up position in the Youth Wings Mysore competition, which included the top eight hockey teams in Karnataka. He was awarded as the best goalkeeper at the tournament and received Rs. 30,000 as cash prize.

Mr. Chethan Bopanna



Mr. Rohith Krishnan

Assistant Professor, School of Design and Innovation (SDI), Mr. Rohith Krishnan was invited as a Director of Photography (DP) with ShortsTV at the Oscars 2024 in Los Angeles, USA from 4-12 March 2024.





Dr. Phani Kumar Pullela

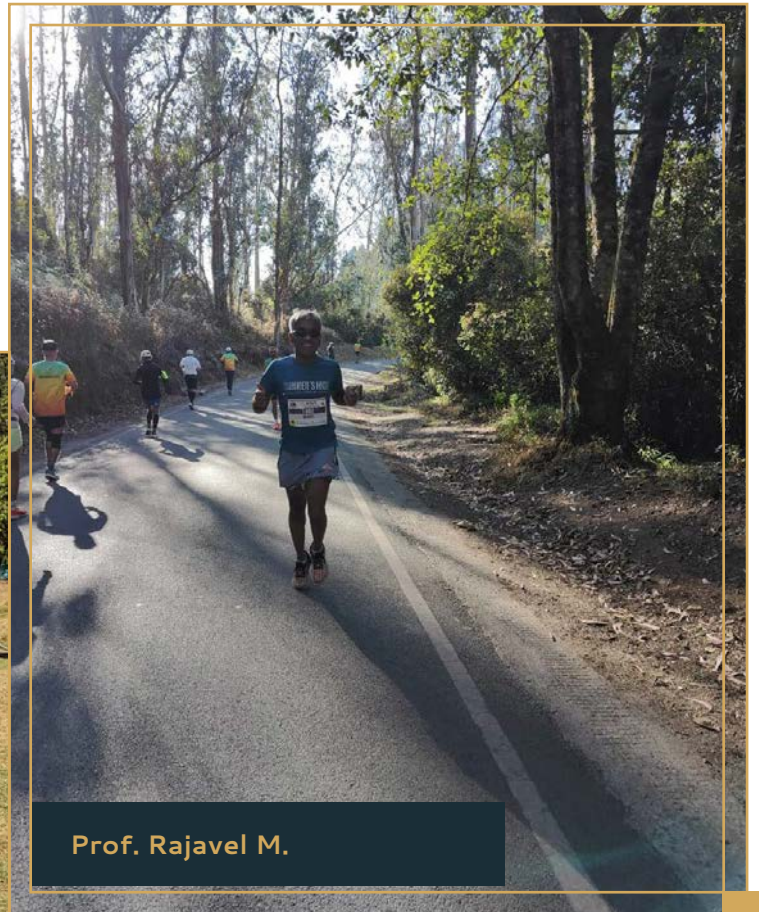
Dr. Phani Kumar Pullela, Professor, SoCSE participated in the 13th SCMA Rapid Chess Tournament and won the fourth prize in the 'open' category. The competition was held on 31 March 2024 at RVITM, Bangalore.



Mr. C. Roshan Machayya

Mr. C. Roshan Machayya, Assistant Professor, School of Law, RVU successfully participated in 90k Ooty ultra run held on 31 March 2024

On 31 March 2024, Associate Dean, Prof. Rajavel M. participated in the 30 k Ooty ultra run. He completed this challenging run in the hills and stood 8th out of the 75 who finished the run) in the above 45 age category with a time of 3hr 25min 14 secs.



Prof. Rajavel M.



Events



Hackathon - 5 January 2024

School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) organised a Hackathon as portfolio development for the semester-end exam as a part of the 'Introduction to Web Design' course on 5 January 2024. This hackathon was conducted in association with RV College of Engineering's Computer Society of India (CSI) Student chapter, Bengaluru. Dr. Pradeep Desai, CSI Chairman, Bengaluru Chapter was the chief guest.



Re.Boot.Camp 2024 - 17-25 January 2024

Re.Boot.Camp 2024, an initiative by the School of Design and Innovation (SDI), was organised for the B.Des II, IV, and VI semester students. More than just a sequence of workshops, panel discussions, design film screenings, and open mic sessions, Re.Boot.Camp 2024 stands as an immersive experience designed to ignite curiosity, kindle creativity, and nurture a sense of community among participants. These dynamic activities not only enrich our students' academic journey but also equip them with invaluable insights and skills that transcend the boundaries of the classroom.

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) conducted a workshop on self-awareness for students to reflect on their strengths and weaknesses, helping them to have a solid foundation for fostering integrity and empathy. Titled, "Workshop on Self-Awareness" was delivered by Dr. Sushu Kadanakuppe, Associate Professor, VSDCH on 19 January 2024.



Workshop on Self-Awareness – 19 January 2024



The Southern Region Law Teachers' Conclave, organised by RVU with Manupatra, was held on 20 January 2024. The chief guest was Honourable Mr. Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar, Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court. Over 200 law teachers from all states of South India participated in the event, besides several vice chancellors, deans and senior partners of corporate law firms.



Southern Region Law Teachers' Conclave – 20 January 2024



On 24 January 2024, the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India delivered a live session, Nav Matadata Sammelan. This was live-casted at RVU. Students from all schools attended the session.

Live telecast of Nav Matadata Sammelan at RVU – 24 January 2024

RVU and RV College of Engineering (RVCE) jointly marked the 75th Republic Day on our campus. In an atmosphere filled with celebration and patriotism, #RVCE and #RVU commemorated Republic Day with great zeal. The parade by the NCC cadets of both the institutions was attended by Dr. K. N. Subramanya, Principal of RVCE, Prof. (Dr.) Sahana D. Gowda, Registrar of RVU, and NCC officers.



75th Republic Day – 26 January 2024

The Centre for Legal Aid and Community Engagement, LACE, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru Urban has organised a cleanliness drive, "Swachh Campus Abhiyan" at RVU on National Cleanliness Day observed on 30 January 2024. 127 students participated in the drive. This was followed by an address from Mr. Varadaraj B., Senior Civil Judge and Member Secretary, DLSA, Bengaluru, Urban.



Swachh Campus Abhiyan – 30 January 2024





The School of Business (SoB) organised a technical session on ACCA orientation. The session was conducted by Ms. Nithya, Operations Support Associate, ISDC on 31 January 2024.



Ms. Nithya – ACCA Orientation – 31 January 2024

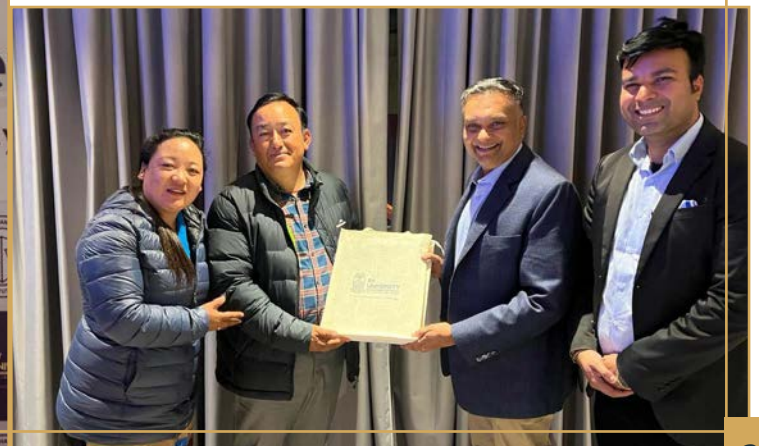
Parents' and Principals' Meet in Kathmandu, Nepal – 4-5 February 2024

The Parents' meet, organised for the parents of RVU students, was held on 4 February 2024. Parents found the session enriching and informative where updates were given about campus and student life, recent developments at RVU and its future plans.

On 5 February 2024, a Principal's meet was organised. This event brought together educators, visionary leaders, and influential stakeholders from across Nepal's educational landscape for an evening of enlightenment, engagement, and networking.



Sri D.P. Nagaraj, Pro Chancellor, RVU, was the keynote speaker of the event and announced multiple initiatives to bring educational institutions of Nepal closer to India, including Teacher's Training opportunities and a special 100% scholarship for deserving female students.





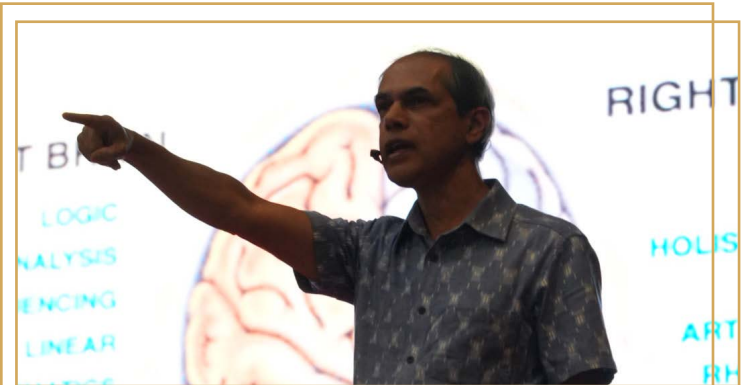
The Centre for Contemporary Economics (CCE), School of Economics hosted a special panel discussion on the interim Union Budget on 6 February 2024. The panel consisted of eminent scholars and stakeholders from different sectors of the economy; namely Ms. Shilpashree Venkatesh, AVP, Knight Frank, Dr. Niveditha Menon, Director, CBPS, Mr. Rajesh A.R., CEO, LaboutNet, Dr. Rashmi Tripathi, Chief Economist, Canara Bank, Dr. R.S. Deshpande, Former Director, ISEC and Dr. Govinda Rao, Councillor, Takshashila Institution.



The primary objective of the panel discussion on the interim union budget was to gain a comprehensive understanding of the allocation made by the union government for the year FY 2024-2025. The discussion aimed at understanding the trends in key macroeconomic variables while demystifying the complex exercise of budgeting.

Panel Discussion on Interim Union Budget 2024 - 6 February 2024

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) welcomed the B.Tech. (Hons.) 2nd semester students with an Orientation Programme of Engineering Exploration & Exploring Science - II. The distinguished lecture by Mr. Vishweshwar Hegde, Partner PM Power Consulting, Agile Coach, Mindfulness Coach, Organization Transformation Consultant along with Dr. Sudeendra Thirtha Koushik, Chief Innovator at Innovation by Design, President Elect at IEEE TEMS, Member EMCC at IEEE, Chairman Ethics & Enterprise Risk Management R10 IEEE, Faculty, Actor, Cartoonist, X-Philips, X-Volvo, TEDx Speaker, Ph.D. in Innovation Management was delivered on 6 February 2024.



Orientation Programme of Engineering Exploration & Exploring Science -II - 6 February 2024



Kalinga Literary Festival – 9–11 February 2024



Kalinga Literary Festival, one of the largest festivals of literature in India, was held on 9–11 February 2024 at Bhubaneswar, Odisha. RVU hosted several sessions on the topic of cinema as an emerging medium of self-expression for the young and careers beyond the conventional.

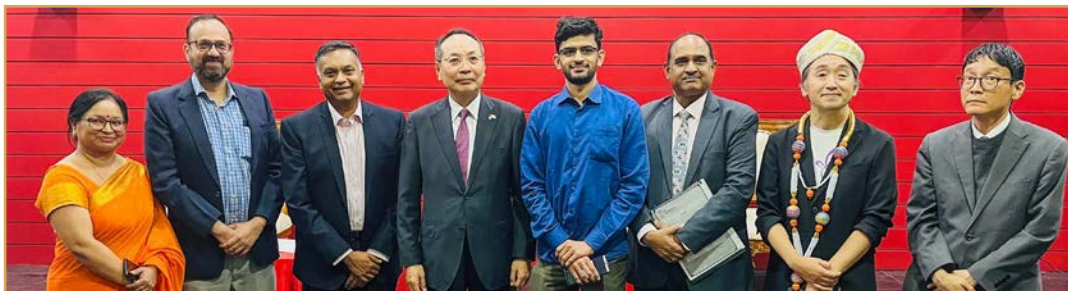
The sessions were a great success, with valuable insights by Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor, RVU, Prof. (Dr.) Piyush Roy, Professor and Founding Dean School of Film, Media and Creative Arts, RVU, Ms. Deepa Ganesh, Assistant Professor and Executive Director, Centre for Visual and Performing Arts, RVU, and Dr. Abhishek Chatterjee, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, RVU.





Inauguration of "Centre for Indian and Foreign Languages" and "International Development Program (IDP) – International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Nodal Testing Centre" by Mr. NAKANE Tsutomu, Consul-General of Japan in Bangalore, in the presence of Mr. D.P. Nagaraj, Pro Chancellor of RV University, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy, Vice Chancellor of RV University, and other esteemed dignitaries.- 15 February 2024

RV University inaugurated the 'Centre for Indian and Foreign Languages' on 15 February 2024, to meet the diverse linguistic needs of today's fast-paced world. The center launched its inaugural programme with a Japanese language course. Currently, three batches of 30+ students each have started on campus – one as a 2-credit course for SoCSE students and the other two for all other schools, faculty, and staff. This initiative aims to equip RVU students with proficiency in foreign languages, empowering them to become truly global citizens. Furthermore, RVU has been selected as a nodal center for the IDP-IELTS and launched "International Development Program (IDP) – International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Nodal Testing Centre" for students interested in taking the IELTS exam.



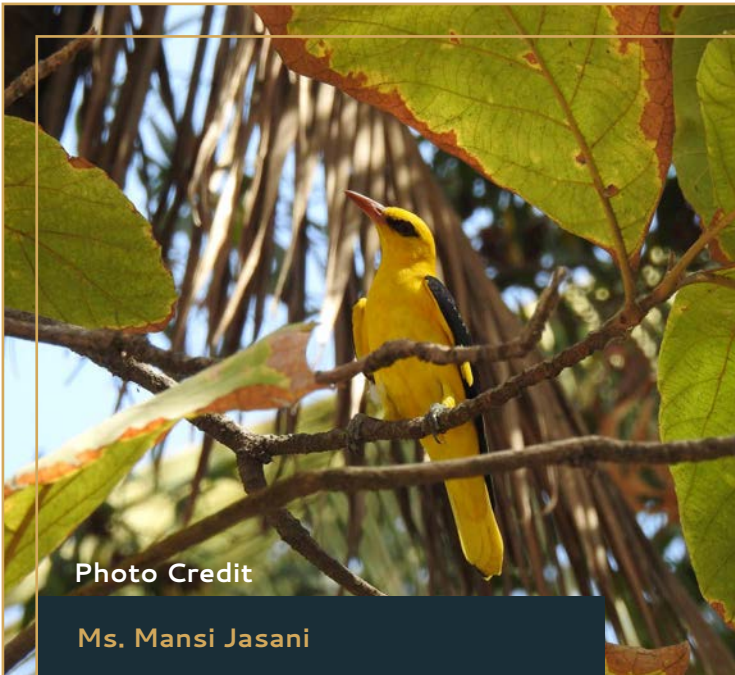


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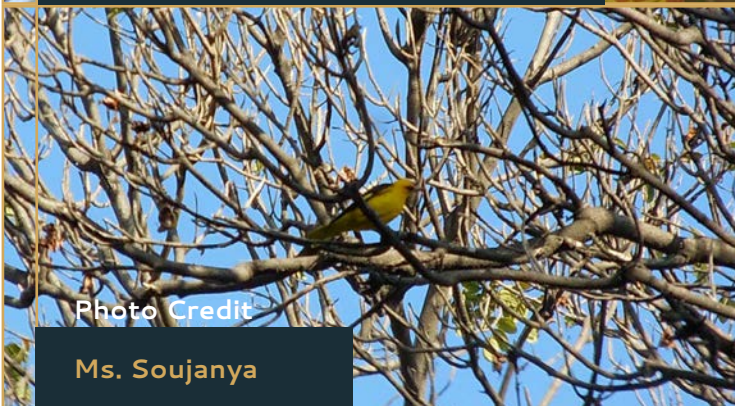


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Campus Bird Count – 16 –19 February 2024

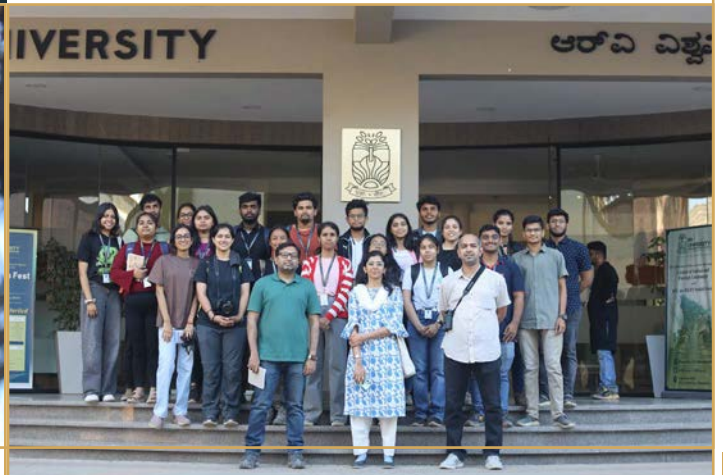


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Dr. Soundarya Iyer, Dr. Amit Kurien, and Dr. Hasan Akhtar, faculty members of the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS), spearheaded the Campus Bird Count on our premises from 16 to 19 February 2024. This initiative is a part of the larger global Great Backyard Bird Count, which originated at Cornell University in 1998 as a global community science project.

At RVU, the Campus Bird Count was organised by students under the guidance of the Green Alliance, the environmental student society. This marked the second edition of this bird counting event on the RVU campus, where over 20 students from various schools actively participated. Together, they identified and recorded more than 36 species of birds, including notable ones like the Tickell's blue flycatcher, golden oriole, and the cinereous tit, among others.





RVU Intra Sports Fest – 19 February 2024

In February, both the staff and students showcased their competitive spirit and sportsmanship. Spanning several days, various games including badminton, volleyball, cricket, football, and basketball were played, with enthusiastic participation from students and staff, leading to a resounding success. The intrasport festival culminated on 19 February 2024, with a range of athletic competitions such as sprints, shotput throws, races, walks, and tug of war, fostering a strong sense of camaraderie. Winners were honoured with medals and certificates during an award ceremony, creating memorable bonds and moments of celebration.





RV University's students organised the first-ever Handicrafts and Handloom festival, "Avani Kalotsava": More than 60 artisans participated in the festival – 16-17 February 2024

The Centre for Visual & Performing Arts (CVPA), School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted its inaugural edition of Avani Kalotsava, a first-of-its-kind, two-day student-led Indian Handloom and Handicraft Fair in Bangalore on 16-17 February 2024. Avani Kalotsava not only enriched the outlook of RVU students, but also enhanced their understanding of art, and helped them spread awareness of the kinds of craft traditions present in our country. More than 60 artisans and small businesses came from all over the country to display and sell their offerings.





The School of Economics (SoE), in association with Fields of View, conducted a unique Public Policy Lab, a two-day experiential workshop on public policy issues. Participants got an opportunity to engage with public policy issues through games, simulations, models and activities. The workshop was held on 26-27 February 2024.



Workshop on Public Policy - 26-27 February 2024



RVU hosted conference on Peace - 27 February 2024



February is observed as the month for peace and conflict prevention/resolution. In its observation, the Centre for Human Rights Studies (CHRS), School of Law SoL, along with the Rotaract Club of RV University, and Rotary E-Club of Bangalore 3191 hosted a conference on Peace titled "Addressing Challenges to International Peace and Security" on 27 February 2024.



Launch of National Service Scheme unit (NSS) – 29 February 2024



On 29 February 2024, RVU launched its National Service Scheme unit (NSS) in the presence of Dr. Prathap Lingaiah, State NSS Officer, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports, Government of Karnataka as the Chief Guest and Sri. D. Carthigueane, Regional Director, NSS Regional Directorate, Bengaluru, as the Guest of Honor of the ceremony.





School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) hosted a delegation from International Federation of Film Critics (FIPRESCI), India. The school organised a panel roundtable on "Trends and Opportunities in Curation and Criticism in Film Studies".



SoFMCA hosted a delgation from International Federation of Film Critics (FIPRESCI) - 1 March 2024



Carnatic Violin performance - 4 March 2024

On 4 March 2024, the Centre for Visual and Performing Arts (CVPA) at RVU collaborated with SpicMacay APAC to present an enchanting carnatic violin performance featuring the renowned Sangeet Vidwan Mr. Mysore Manjunath and Sumanth Manjunath. They were accompanied by Shri Tumkur B. Ravishankar on *Mridangam*, Shri Shamith Gowda on *Ghatam*, and Shri Vyasavittala on *Khanjira*. This mesmerising musical event was organised by CVPA's Executive Director, Ms. Deepa Ganesh.





Kriyashala: A Cultural Odyssey - 4 - 15 March 2024

SDI hosted Kriyashala, a hands-on learning experiential workshop for its students, connecting them with skilled artisans from across India. Participants gained practical skills and also developed a deeper appreciation for India's cultural heritage. The workshop covered a wide range of art forms, offering students the chance to explore and discover new talents.



National Academic Immersion Program (NAIP) offered to students of MIT-World Peace University (MIT-WPU) by RV University – 6-15 March 2024



The SoCSE faculty comprising Mr. Ramesha G.N., Mr. Chidhananda R.S., Mr. Suresh N., Dr. Sudhakar N., and Dr. Phani Kumar Pullela, successfully completed a consultancy project valued, at Rs. 27 Lakhs, with MIT-WPU, Pune. This project involved hosting 136 students and staff from MIT-WPU on the RVU campus for 10 days. During this period, they participated in an extensive programme that included training in patent drafting, as well as techno-scientific and cultural excursions. The outcome of this engagement was notable. The students from MIT-WPU successfully drafted over 110 patents. This consultancy significantly enhanced the capabilities of both students and faculty in drafting patents across both societal and technical domains, along with developing competencies in software automation for patent form preparation, specifically for IEPD minor students.





Teen Indie Film Awards TIFA 2024 - 14-17 March 2024

RVU's newest school, the School of Film, Media, and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) hosted the third edition of Teen Indie Film Awards, TIFA 2024 on 17 March 2024. This year TIFA grew exponentially, receiving more than 300 entries from 30+ countries around the world, with Australia as the country in focus. The festival featured more than 300 films from 30 countries over four days from 14 March – 17 March 2024, including masterclasses, film discussions, and other activities with 25 speakers from the industry and academia. The event had representatives from the Australian Consulate-General in Bengaluru, Hilary McGeachy, Consul General, and Mr. Hyung Min Kim, Deputy Consul General, enhancing the international aspect of the festival. President RSST, Dr. M.P. Shyam, Hon. Secretary RSST and Chancellor RVU, Dr. (h.c.) A.V.S. Murthy, Hon. Joint Secretary RSST and Pro Chancellor RVU, Mr. D.P. Nagaraj, Film maker and Trustee, Ms. Maya Chandra, Vice Chancellor RVU, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy, Pro Vice Chancellor, RVU Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Registrar RVU, Dr. Sahana D. Gowda and others participated in TIFA 2024.





SoLAS organised an exhibition on National Symbols of India – 22 March 2024

The School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted a one-of-a-kind exhibition illustrating India's national symbols, "National Symbols of India" on 22 March 2024. This student-led one-day session delved into the interesting history and meaning of each symbol, as well as the engaging arguments and conversations that drove their selection during India's constitutional development.





Explore RVU, an open house, hosted for prospective parents and students on RVU campus – 23 March 2024

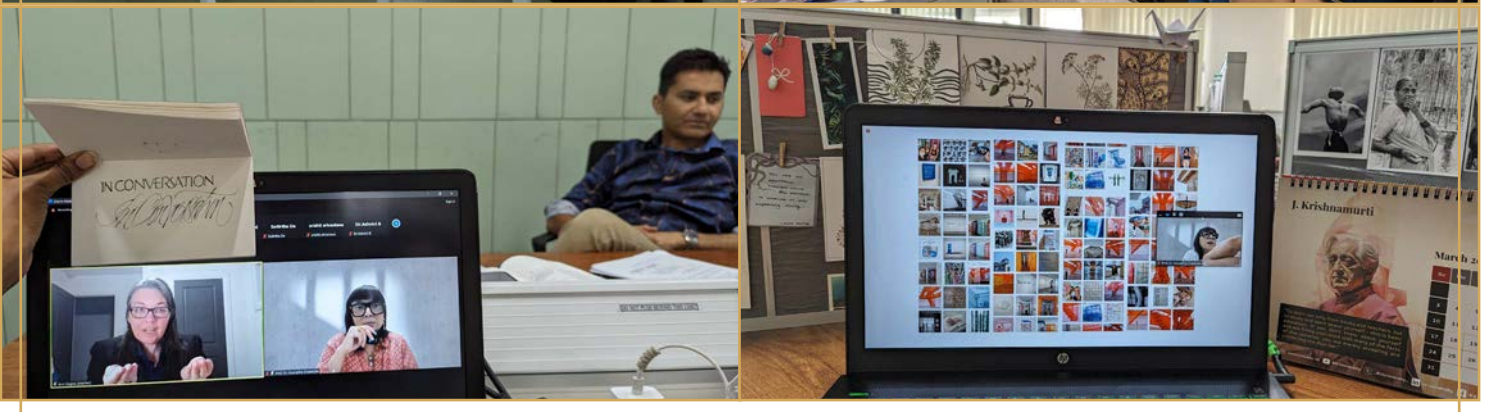
The Office of Admissions and Outreach organised an Open House "Explore RVU" on 23 March 2024 at RVU campus. This session provided an opportunity to prospective students and their parents to explore the programmes offered, meet the faculty and get all information regarding admissions, students life and academic environment at RVU.



"Digital Pedagogy in Design Education" (DPDE) '24 symposium hosted by SDI - 27-28 March 2024



The School of Design and Innovation hosted a two-day research symposium, "Digital Pedagogy in Design Education – Bringing the Dialogue to the Pedagogue". Conducted on 27-28 March, this hybrid symposium explored themes including The Virtual Mentor, Crafting Design, Digitized Culture, and AI in Design. It featured 18 paper presentations, one panel discussion and one keynote address.





The School of Business organised a virtual fireside chat on “Women in Technology: Championing Diversity and Inclusion” on 28 March 2024. Two accomplished business leaders, Ms. Gavriella Schuster, C-Level Microsoft Executive and global thought leader and Ms. Ginniee Sahi, Sales Leader, Ex Microsoft, Salesforce and Expert Network Member shared their insights at a session moderated by Programme Director for MBA@RVU, Dr. Veena Andini. This brilliant chat was made possible by our Industry Chair Professor for AI and Data Science, Mr. Avi Singh.

Partnerships and Collaborations



On 16 January 2024, RVU signed an MoU with Atlantis University, USA for semester exchange – three months and three courses at Atlantis University, joint conferences, twinning programmes – six months at RVU and eight months at Atlantis University for 30 credits in 10 courses with core courses at Atlantis University and dual degree programmes – credit transfer with degree from RVU and certificate from Atlantis University for UG courses.



MoU signed with Atlantis University, USA – 16 January 2024

Prof. (Dr.) Lakshmi Arya Thathachar facilitated the signing of two MoUs. The first one was with Nettur Technical Training Foundation (NTTF), Bangalore on 24 January 2024. The second one was with the Centre for Internet and Society (CIS), Bengaluru, on 31 January 2024.



Securing your Future with your own Hands





Our Pro Chancellor, Mr. D. P. Nagaraj, along with Ms. Hemlata Sharma, Director of the International Office at RVU, met with Prof. Dr. Siridech Kumsuprom, Vice President of Strategic Alliance at Dhurakij Pundit University (DPU) in Thailand, and his team to discuss extended collaborative areas for all schools at RVU. During his visit, Mr. Nagaraj also met Ms. Nandana, a second-year BBA student at RVU who is currently participating in a semester exchange programme at DPU. This dynamic partnership will continue to expand and enhance educational opportunities and the global academic network.



Pro Chancellor, Mr. D. P. Nagaraj met Dhurakij Pundit University (DPU) Thailand team to discuss extended collaborations for all RVU schools – 1 February 2024

Pro Chancellor, Mr. D. P. Nagaraj signed an MoU with Mr. Pornchai Mongkhonvanit, President of Siam University. This MoU entails student exchange and faculty development programmes, joint publications, joint research and conferences. The exchange programmes offered will be on a 2+2 and 3+1 year model and will start with the School of Film, Media and Creative arts, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, School of Business and School of Computer Science and Engineering.



MoU signing with Siam University – 2 February 2024





The School of Business inaugurated its Business Incubator by signing an MoU with Women Entrepreneurs India (WEI) that focuses on nurturing entrepreneurship. The eventful collaboration was virtually signed with Ms. Mahalakshmi Saravanan, Founder, WEI and Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy and Prof. (Dr.) Subhashree Natarajan, Dean – School of Business.



School of Business signed MoU with Women Enterprise India (WEI) – 14 February 2024



Between 21–23 February 2024, RVU signed MoUs with four universities in Indonesia – Faculty of Law Universitas Negeri Surabaya, Universitas Muhadi Setiabudi, Universitas Pekalongan, Universitas Peradaban, Faculty of Sharia State Islamic University of K.H. ABDURRAHMAN Wahid Pekalongan for summer immersion, Faculty exchanges, Joint Conferences mainly for our School of Law along with other schools. Our faculty member, Dr. Bhanu Prakash Nunna, Assistant Professor, Director, Centre for Victimological Research and Victim Assistance (CVRVA), RVU, India. facilitated these MoU signing.



RVU signed MoUs with four universities in Indonesia – 21-23 February 2024

On 23 February 2024, the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) signed an MoU with Adventure in Science India (AISI), an NGO affiliated to Adventures in Science USA. AISI works closely with rural government schools and rural high school students to create a supportive network that enhances STEM education in India.

This collaboration between RVU and AISI will pave the path for our students to take leadership roles in fostering scientific curiosity among rural school children and nurturing them towards becoming the next generation of innovators.



MoU signed with Adventure in Science India (AISI) – 23 February 2024



RVU signed an MoU with LabourNet on 26 February 2024. Initiated by the School of Economics (SoE), this MoU entails providing capstone facilities for postgraduate students of economics at LabourNet for the entire semester. The MoU was signed on 26 February 2024.



MoU signed with LabourNet – 26 February 2024



On 28 February 2024, RV University inked an MoU with Bridgewater State University, USA. The MoU was signed by our Vice Chancellor, Prof. Y.S.R. Murthy and Mr. Frederick W. Clark, President from Bridgewater State University.

MoU signed with Bridgewater State University - 28 February 2024



RVU, on 18 March 2024, signed its first Letter of Intent (LoI) for collaboration with Kanagawa University in Japan. President of the Yokohama-based Kanagawa University, Mr. Makoto Oguma signed the LoI along with Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy, Vice Chancellor, RVU on their campus.



Letter of Intent signed with Kanagawa University - 18 March 2024



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