

RVU's Pursuit of Excellence



Message from the Vice Chancellor

The recent months at RV University (RVU) have been filled with energy, growth and inspiration — a reflection of our collective commitment to excellence in education and nation-building.

Navodaya 2025 marked a defining moment for us, as we welcomed over 2,300 new students across our nine schools, taking the RVU community beyond 6,000 students. The event embodied the spirit of new beginnings, with distinguished leaders from academia and industry inspiring our students to innovate, explore, and lead with purpose.

Equally significant was our Third Annual Convocation, where 259 students graduated across six disciplines. Nobel Peace Laureate Shri Kailash Satyarthi was the chief guest and he delivered the convocation address where he reminded us that education is not only about acquiring knowledge but also about transforming society.

RV University's recognition as the No. 1 Emerging University in India by Outlook Magazine stands as a testament to our growing impact, academic rigour, and commitment to quality. This recognition belongs to every member of our RVU family—faculty, staff, students, and our governing bodies—whose dedication continues to elevate our institution.

As we look ahead, our vision is to continue strengthening our academic ecosystem, expanding global collaborations and fostering a learning environment rooted in curiosity, creativity and compassion. Together, we will ensure RV University continues to shine as a beacon of learning, innovation, and integrity.



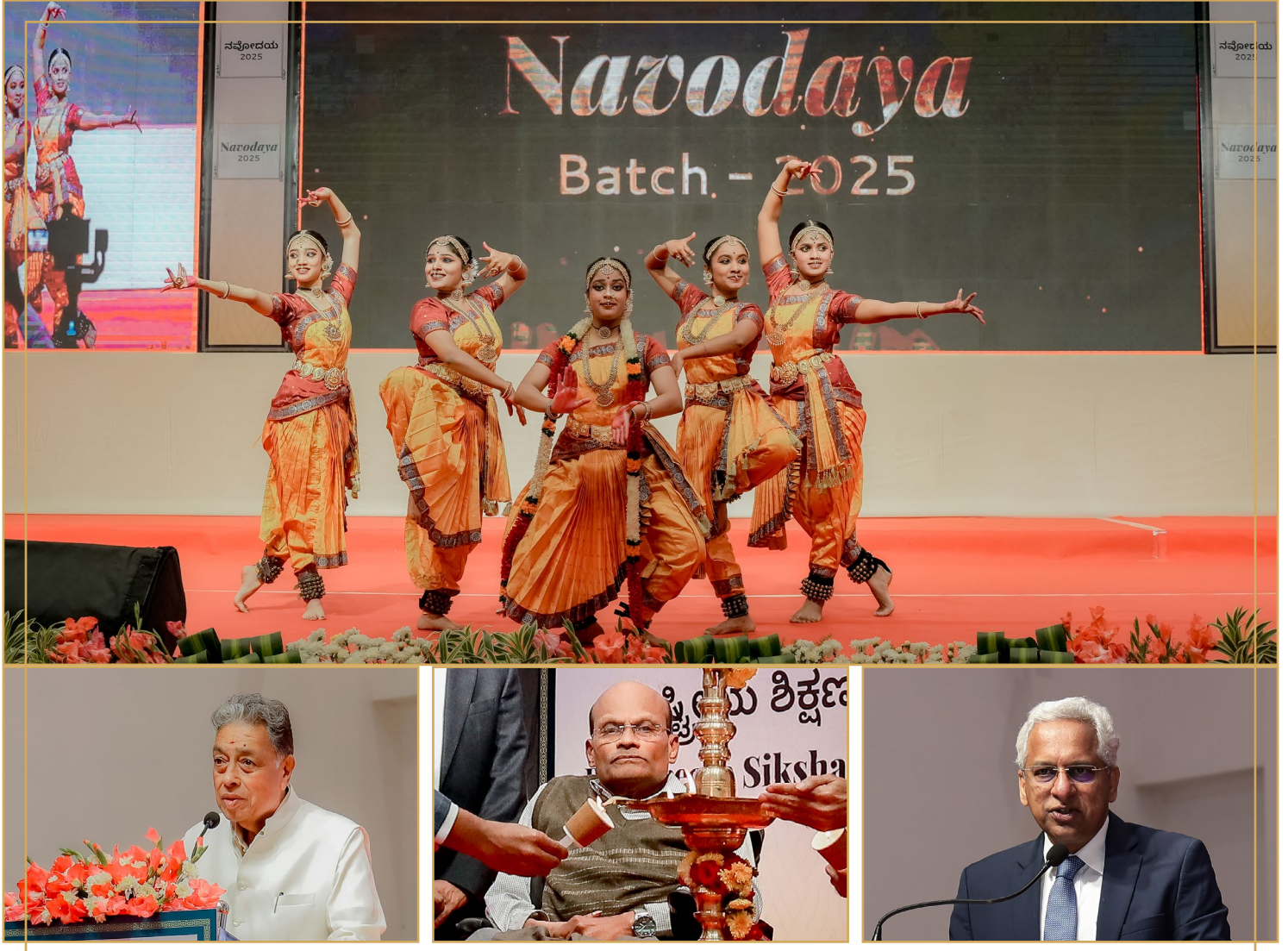
Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani
Vice Chancellor,
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Announcements

RVU welcomed over 2,300 students at Navodaya 2025



RVU hosted its fifth annual Navodaya 2025 celebrations, inducting over 2,300 students into its nine schools offering undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. These include law, business, economics and public policy, computer science and engineering, design and innovation, liberal arts and sciences, film, media and creative arts, continuing education and professional studies, and allied and healthcare professions. With this intake, the University's total student strength has crossed 6,000.

The event, held in multiple sessions, featured eminent leaders from academia and industry, who inspired students to embrace innovation, build strong foundations, and approach challenges as opportunities. The chief guests were Dr. M.R. Jayaram, Chancellor of MSRUAS and Chairman of Gokula Education Foundation (Medical); Prof. (Dr.) M.K. Sridhar, former Chancellor of Chanakya University and Member of UGC, New Delhi; and Mr. Ajit Isaac, Founder and Chairman of Quesscorp.

RVU held its 3rd Annual Convocation: 259 students graduated across six streams



RVU held its third annual convocation on 30 August 2025. A total of 259 students graduated in six streams with nine receiving honours for exceptional academic performance. The event was graced by Sri Kailash Satyarthi, Nobel Peace Laureate (2014), internationally acclaimed child rights activist, and founder of Bachpan Bachao Andolan, who delivered the Convocation Address.

Degrees were conferred across RVU's six schools: Liberal Arts & Sciences, Design & Innovation, Business, Economics & Public Policy, Computer Science & Engineering and Law.

The ceremony also witnessed the presence of Dr. (h.c.) A.V.S. Murthy, Chancellor of RVU; Dr. M.P. Shyam, President of the Rashtreeya Sikshana Samithi Trust (RSST); Pro Chancellor, Mr. D.P. Nagaraj of RVU, Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (Vice Chancellor (i/c) at the time); Prof. Sahana D. Gowda, Registrar; Prof. Anuradha Chatterjee, Pro Vice Chancellor and other distinguished members of the board of management, board of governors, academic council and faculty members.





RVU appointed Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani as its Vice Chancellor

RVU has appointed Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani as its new Vice Chancellor. Prof. Kakani brings over 25 years of wide-ranging experience across academia, governance and leadership development.

A former director at IIM Raipur, he began his career as a technocrat, then transitioned into higher education to rise into senior positions at some of India's most respected institutions. He has held senior faculty and administrative roles at premier institutions such as XLRI Jamshedpur, IIM Kozhikode, and IIM Raipur, where he served as Director from 2022 to 2025. His teaching portfolio also includes a distinguished stint at LBSNAA Mussoorie, where he groomed future civil servants of India. Internationally, Prof. Kakani has taught and collaborated with institutions in Denmark, Nigeria, Singapore, and the UAE.

RVU Ranked No. 1 Emerging University in India by Outlook Magazine

Outlook

RVU has been ranked the No. 1 Emerging University in India by Outlook Magazine, a leading national publication known for its annual higher education rankings (August 2025). The University's BCA programme, offered by the School of Computer Science and Engineering, has been ranked 4th in India, while the BBA programme from the School of Business has secured 10th place among private institutions in the Outlook University Rankings 2025.

Launch of Certificate Programme in Educational Leadership

The School for Continuing Education and Professional Studies (SCEPS) launched a nine-month online Certificate Programme in Educational Leadership on 9 August 2025. The inaugural cohort includes school principals, college professors, and counsellors dedicated to advancing leadership in education.

Lecture Series and Workshops



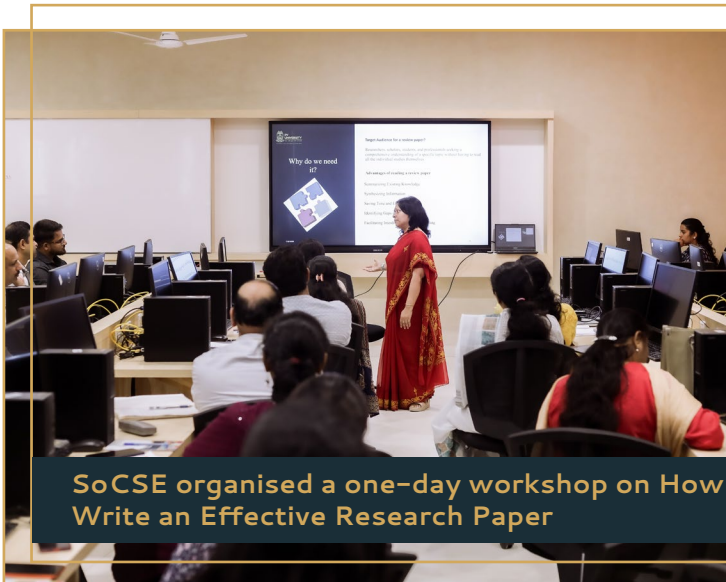
SoCSE organised an FDP on Multi cloud and Edge Computing

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) organised a Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Multi cloud and Edge Computing". This five-day workshop, held from 30 June to 4 July 2025, was designed to equip faculty members with the latest knowledge and practical skills in multi-cloud environments, covering platforms such as AWS, Azure, Google Cloud and more.

On 7 July 2025, SoCSE organised a one-day workshop on "Data Visualisation using Power BI". Mr. Vinod Kumar Raju, Assistant Professor at SoCSE was the resource person for this workshop which was attended by the SoCSE faculty and external participants.



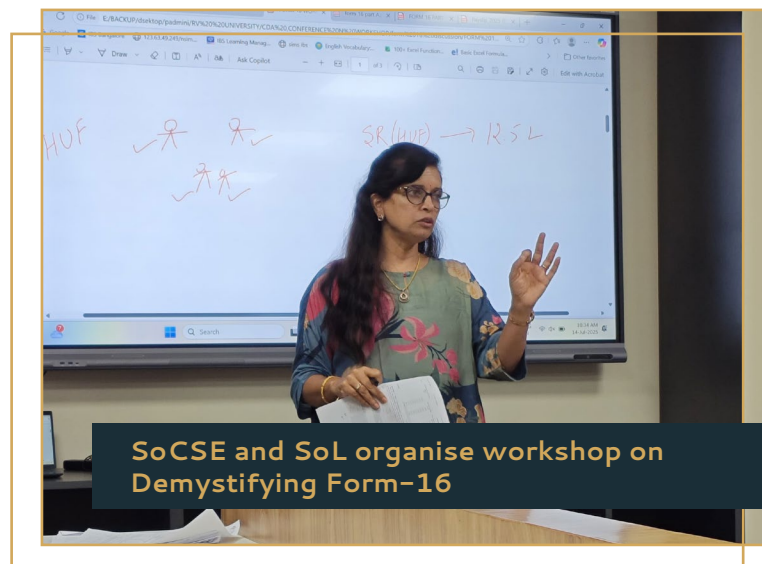
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SoCSE organised a one-day workshop on "How to Write an Effective Research Paper" on 8 July 2025. The session was conducted by SoCSE faculty members — Dr. Baishali Garai (Associate Professor), Dr. Balaji (Assistant Professor), Dr. Chakravarthula S.K. (Assistant Professor), Dr. P. Karthikeyan (Associate Professor), and Ms. Sasikala Jeganathan (Assistant Professor).

SoCSE hosted an insightful workshop on “Demystifying Form-16” 14 July 2025 for their faculty. It was conducted by CA Padmini V., Associate Professor at the School of Business (SoB). It was an engaging and knowledge-packed session that empowered our faculty with practical tax compliance skills. On 25 July 2025, the same session was organised for the faculty and staff of the School of Law (SoL).



SoCSE and SoL organise workshop on Demystifying Form-16



From 14 July – 18 July 2025, SoCSE and IEEE community of RVU in collaboration with ARK Infosolutions Pvt. Ltd. organised a five-day Faculty Development Programme on “Game Development using Unity Engine”.

This FDP offered a comprehensive overview of the game development process using Unity. ARK Infosolutions is the official training and education partner of Unity.

FDP on Game Development using Unity Engine by SoCSE

Prof. (Dr.) Ramadass Balamurugan, Additional Professor, Department of Biochemistry, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubaneswar delivered a “Career Talks in Allied and Healthcare Professions Medical Laboratory Technology” on 16 July 2025. This was organised by the School of Allied and Healthcare Professions (SoAHP).



Prof. (Dr.) Ramadass Balamurugan



Our Library by Brigade organised a two-day Faculty Development Programme on “Mastering SPSS: Hands-on Experience”. It was conducted by Mr. Mithun D.J., Senior Statistician at SPSS on 17-18 July 2025.



RVU's Library by Brigade organised an FDP on SPSS

On 17 July 2025, the School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) conducted a creative workshop on Filmmaking at our campus. This was curated for the students of National Hill View Public School (v).



SoFMCA workshop for NHVPS on Filmmaking



The School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP), RVU in collaboration with BASE University (BASEU), organised a one-week workshop on “Applied Econometrics Using Stata, R & Python” from 21 to 25 July 2025. Faculty from BASEU and RVU served as the resource persons – Assistant Professors from BASEU – Dr. Bidur Paria, Dr. Irfan Ali K.C., and Dr. Maheshkumar T. along with RVU faculty – Dr. Deep Mukherjee, Professor; Dr. Ghanshyam Sharma, Associate Professor; and Assistant Professors, Dr. Aditya Kumar, Dr. Varadurga Bhat, and Dr. Narinder Kumar.



SoEPP and BASEU organised a workshop Applied Econometrics Using Stata, R & Python

The School of Business (SoB) organised a five-day Faculty Development Programme (FDP) titled "From Question to Synthesis: A Hands-on Workshop on Systematic and Thematic Reviews" from 21 to 25 July 2025. Conducted in hybrid mode, the workshop brought together researchers from across India to explore systematic and thematic review techniques through interactive sessions, practical demonstrations, and collaborative discussions.



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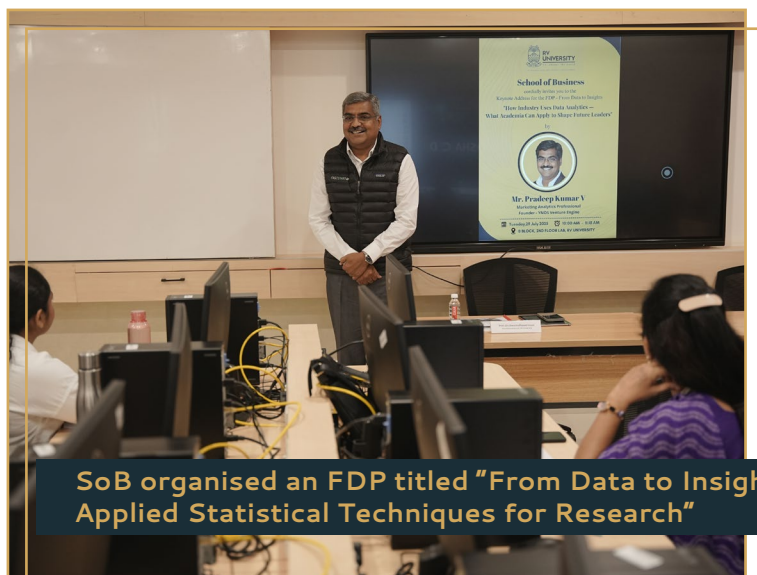


SoB hosted a distinguished talk by Prof. Kakani

SoB hosted a distinguished talk on "How to achieve Academic Excellence in Teaching and Research" on 25 July 2025. The session was delivered by Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, who was then serving as Director of IIM Raipur and is now the Vice Chancellor of RVU. He shared insightful perspectives on advancing academic rigour and research excellence.

SoCSE organised a programme on "Emerging Trends in Big Data and Data Science"

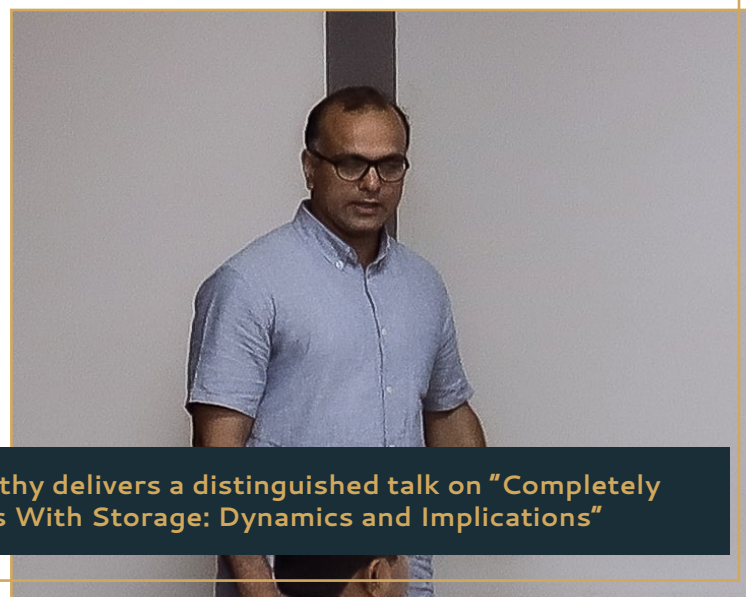
The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) organised a programme on "Emerging Trends in Big Data and Data Science" from 21 July to 1 August 2025, in association with C-DAC Noida and Future Skills PRIME. The programme introduced participants to the latest tools, technologies, and research trends in data science, enabling them to strengthen their analytical and technical skills for emerging industry needs.



SoB organised an FDP titled "From Data to Insights: Applied Statistical Techniques for Research"

The School of Business (SoB) organised an FDP titled "From Data to Insights: Applied Statistical Techniques for Research" from 28 July to 1 August 2025. The programme aimed to strengthen research capabilities by providing hands-on training in data handling, hypothesis testing, and visualisation using SPSS and Python. All sessions were conducted by expert faculty members from SoB.

The School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP) hosted a distinguished talk on "Completely Renewable Electricity Markets With Storage: Dynamics and Implications" on 29 July 2025. It was delivered by Dr. Chandra Kiran Krishnamurthy, Senior Lecturer, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.



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SoAHP organised a career talk by Dr. Jyothi Samanth

The School of Allied and Healthcare Professions (SoAHP) organised a "Career Talks in Allied and Healthcare Professions: Cardiac Care Technology". The speaker was Dr. Jyothi Samanth, Associate Professor, Department of Cardiovascular Technology at Manipal College of Health Professions, Manipal Academy of Higher Education. The talk was chaired by Prof. (Dr.) Arindam Mitra, Professor and Dean, SoAHP and was held on 30 July 2025.

The School of Film, Media and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) organised an engaging commemorative session on 31 July 2025 as part of its Students' Orientation Programme. Renowned filmmaker Mukesh Kumar Singh – acclaimed for Kannappa (2025) and the Mahabharat TV series (2013) – shared valuable insights on "Storytelling for the Screen: How to Tell Indian Stories for a Global Audience."

Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (Vice Chancellor (i/c) at the time), Prof. Piyush Roy, Dean, SoFMCA and Prof. Kitty Mukherjee, Assistant Dean, SoFMCA also addressed the gathering, highlighting the importance of creative learning and global perspectives in filmmaking.



Renowned filmmaker Mukesh Kumar Singh interacts with SoFMCA students

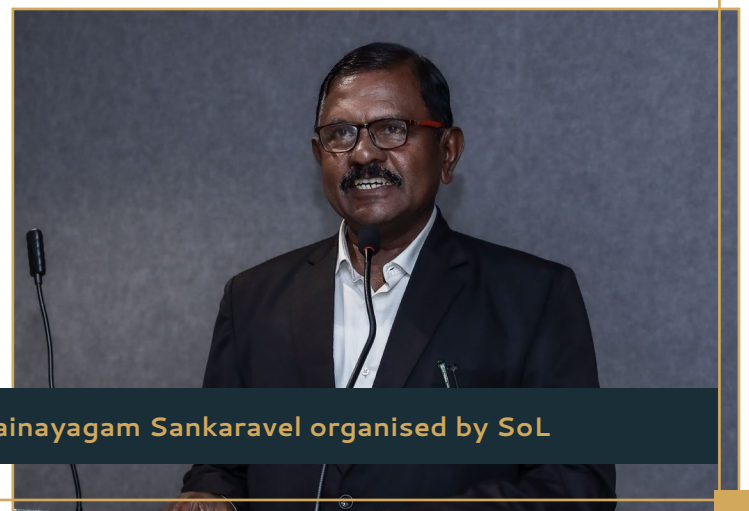
The undergraduate journey of the B.Des. 2025–26 cohort at the School of Design and Innovation (SDI) began on 31 July 2025 with an inspiring inaugural keynote lecture by Mr. Aashish Solanki, Founder & CEO of NetBramha Studios, who spoke on user-centred design and innovation.

Postgraduate students of Communication Design, UI/UX, and Product Design began their design journey on 8 September 2025 with Mr. Subhabrata Ghosh, CEO of Celsius100 Consulting, who delivered a transformative keynote lecture on the role of design in addressing global challenges. The induction week culminated on 12 September 2025 with a visit to Spread Design and Innovation Pvt. Ltd., where the team shared their philosophy and projects like "Feel Goa," highlighting contextual and inclusive design. These sessions set a creative and purposeful tone for the new academic year.



Mr. Aashish Solanki delivered the inaugural keynote lecture to SDI students

An expert talk, "Campus to Court" was organised by the School of Law (SoL) by Dr. Thillainayagam Sankaravel (Advocate) President, MedArb International.



An expert talk by Dr. Thillainayagam Sankaravel organised by SoL



The School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP) invited Dr. Padmini Ram, Founding Director of Urban Ethnographers & Dr. Champaka Rajagopal, Affiliate Professor, Urban School, Sciences Po, Paris & Founder, Director, The Entrepreneurship and Partnerships Lab to conduct a workshop for staff and students. Titled, "A hands-on workshop on Public Policy" was held on 1 August 2025.

SoEPP organised a talk by Dr. Padmini Ram and Dr. Champaka Rajagopal

The School of Law (SoL) organised an Expert Talk titled "Beginner's guide to crime scene analysis" on 1 August 2025. It was conducted by Ms. Anushree Motupally, Scene of Crime Officer (SOCO), Karnataka Police.



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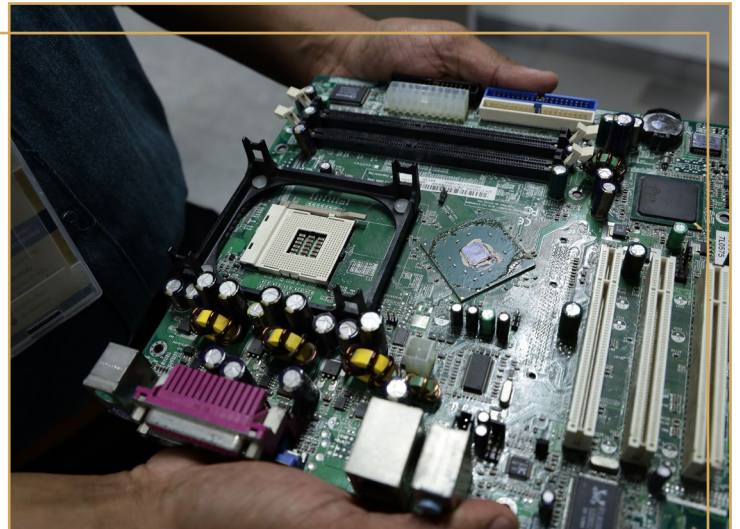


On 6 August 2025, the School of Allied and Healthcare Professions (SoAHP) organised a "Career Talks in Allied and Healthcare Professions: Anaesthesia and Operation Theater Technology. The speaker was Prof. (Dr.) Swetha Ramani, MBBS, MD, DA Anaesthesiology; Professor, Department of Anaesthesiology at SRM Medical College Hospital & Research Centre.

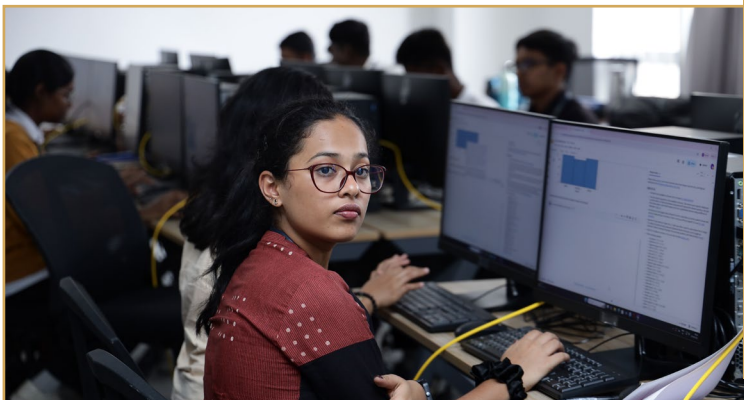
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The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) organised a three-day Skill Development Programme from 4 to 6 August 2025. The workshop offered hands-on training across five key computing domains – Robotics, Cyber Hygiene, Data Visualisation, Programming Fundamentals, and Dissecting a Computer. Around 240 students from B.Sc. and B.C.A. first-semester batches participated in the sessions led by expert faculty coordinators, gaining valuable experiential learning in both emerging and foundational areas of computing.

Further, SoCSE collaborated with IIT Kanpur to present a 24-hour Online-Live Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on Next-Gen Cybersecurity: Trends and Technologies. This was held on 18 August 2025.



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Centre for Sustainable Development, SoLAS organised a distinguished lecture by Dr. Budhaditya Das

The Centre for Sustainable Development, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS), organised a distinguished lecture by Dr. Budhaditya Das, Assistant Professor at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University Delhi. Students of environmental science at RVU got the opportunity to listen to his long term research in the forests and villages in the Satpura hills region in Madhya Pradesh. The talk titled, "Why do guardrails fail? The political economy of environmental and social safeguards for a large dam in central India" was held on 20 August 2025.



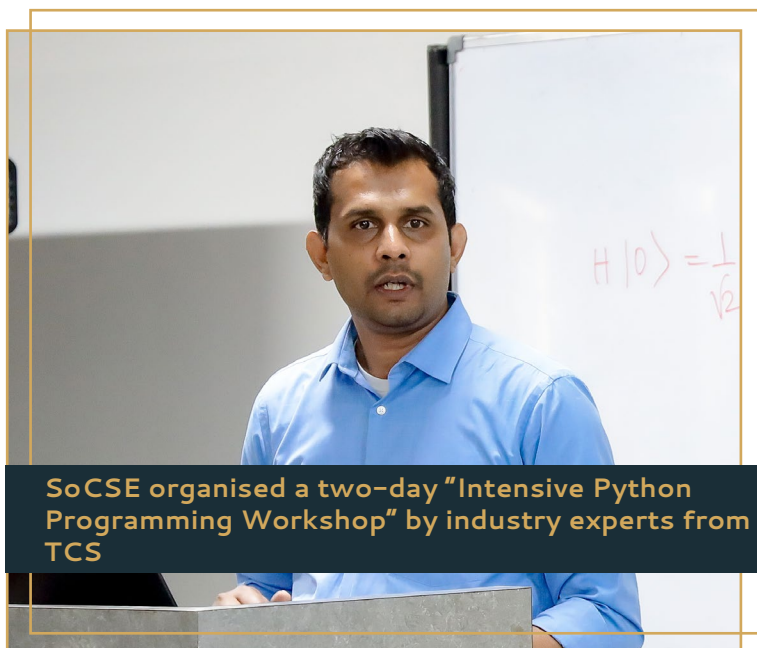
The Office of Research and Doctoral Studies organised the Pre-Thesis Submission Colloquium of Mr. Joshua Fernandes, Ph.D. candidate, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS), on 22 August 2025. His thesis, titled "Down the Rabbit Hole: A Philosophical Investigation into Virtual Reality," was presented under the supervision of Dr. Sudhindra Maganahalli (Assistant Professor at SoLAS)

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The School of Allied and Healthcare Professions (SoAHP) organised a Faculty Development Workshop on "Outcome-Based Education (OBE): Aligning Curriculum, Competencies & Mindsets" on 22 August 2025. It was delivered by Dr. Kirankumar Gudagudi, Associate Professor and Academic Head at School of Allied Healthcare and Sciences, Jain (Deemed-to-be University).



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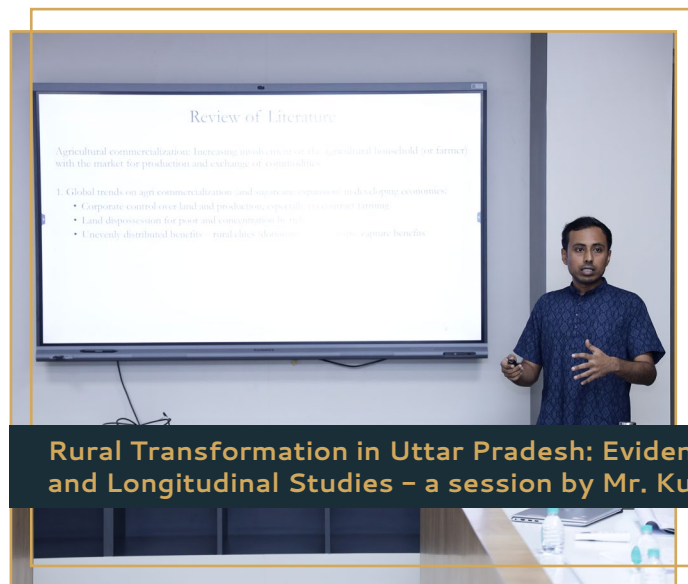
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The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), organised a two-day "Intensive Python Programming Workshop" on 23 and 30 August 2025. Conducted by industry experts from TCS, the interactive sessions featured live coding demonstrations designed to strengthen programming fundamentals. The workshop was open to B.Tech., B.Sc., and B.C.A. students and required only basic computer skills, making it accessible to beginners eager to build a foundation in Python programming.

A one-day “Campus to Corporate (C2C) Soft Skills Training Programme” was organised by SoCSE, in collaboration with Nokia, Bengaluru on 25 August 2025. Held at the RVU campus, the session focused on preparing students for professional environments through interactive training on workplace communication, teamwork, and corporate readiness.



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The School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP) organised a seminar series on “Rural Transformation in Uttar Pradesh: Evidence from Village and Longitudinal Studies” on 29 August 2025. Mr. Kunal Munjal, Senior Research Fellow, Economic Analysis Unit, Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Bengaluru and Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Liberal Arts, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Hyderabad delivered the session at our campus.

Rural Transformation in Uttar Pradesh: Evidence from Village and Longitudinal Studies – a session by Mr. Kunal Munjal

The School of Allied and Healthcare Professions (SoAHP) organised an orientation session on “Epistemology, Demarcation and Other Essential Skills for Students in the Allied Health Sciences” on 9 September 2025. The session was led by Mr. A. H. Sagar, an international educationist, philosopher, multidisciplinary expert, medical ethicist, and national athlete. Prof. Arindam Mitra, Dean, chaired the session and welcomed the new cohort of students.



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Ms. Sudeshna Banerjee, Partner, K&S Partners, Intellectual Property Attorneys, Bengaluru



Dr. Karan Shekar, Cardiac Surgeon, Narayana Institute of Cardiac Sciences, Bengaluru

As part of its induction programme, the School of Law organised expert lectures through its specialised centres. On 8 September 2025, the Centre for Postgraduate Legal Studies (LL.M.) hosted Prof. (Dr.) V. Vijayakumar, Professor of Eminence, School of Law, M.S. Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences, and Ms. Sudeshna Banerjee, Partner, K&S Partners, Intellectual Property Attorneys, Bengaluru, who spoke on contemporary legal education and industry-academia synergy. On 9 September, the Centre for Health Law and Ethics organised a talk by Dr. Karan Shekar, Cardiac Surgeon, Narayana Institute of Cardiac Sciences, Bengaluru, on "Indian Health in the 21st Century: Beyond Fitness."



Prof. (Dr.) V. Vijayakumar, Professor of Eminence, School of Law, M.S. Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) organised an Exploration Workshop on GIT & GitHub (Hands-on) under the Peer-Mentor Learning Series, in collaboration with IEEE Women in Engineering and the RVU IEEE Student Chapter, Bengaluru. Held on 12 and 19 September 2025, the workshop provided students with practical insights into version control and collaborative software development using Git and GitHub.



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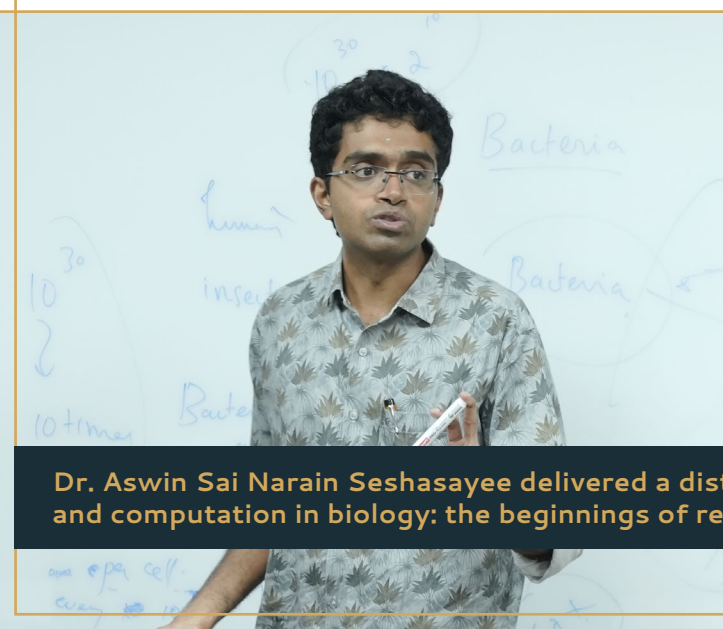
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On 19 September 2025, RVU hosted Dr. Pushp Kumar Joshi, Director at HPCL-Mittal Energy Ltd. and former CMD of HPCL, for a distinguished lecture on "Linking Corporate HR Expectations with Faculty Endeavours." The insightful session, attended by RVU faculty members, marked the inaugural lecture of the RVU Intellect Series, an initiative designed to facilitate capacity-building sessions by eminent professionals. The event was facilitated by Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani.



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Dr. Aswin Sai Narain Seshasayee delivered a distinguished talk titled, "Wonder, asking questions and computation in biology: the beginnings of regulation"

The Centre for Sustainable Development at the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) hosted a distinguished talk titled, "Wonder, asking questions and computation in biology: the beginnings of regulation". Dr. Aswin Sai Narain Seshasayee, faculty at the National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS) delivered the lecture on 19 September 2025.

On 20 September 2025, the Centre for Visual and Performing Arts at the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS) organised a soulful concert titled "Joy of Monsoon" featuring Shri Omkarnath Havaladar, renowned Hindustani classical vocalist. He, along with co-artists Pralhad Deshpande on tabla and Sameer Havaladar on harmonium, explored the devotional beauty of Raag Miya Ki Malhar, celebrating the spirit of the monsoon through music.



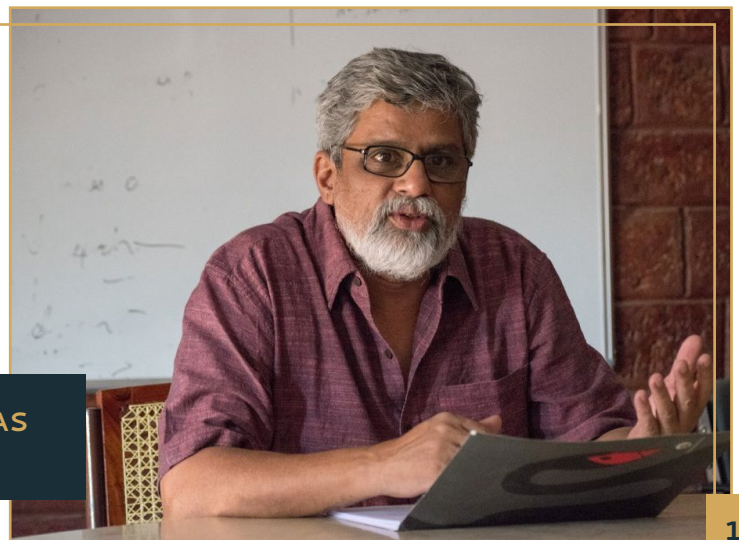
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The School of Allied and Healthcare Professions organised "Microbial Voices", Microbiology Society Champion Event on 22 September 2025. Dr. Corrado Nai, Microbiology Society Champion and Independent Science Writer and Scholar from Indonesia delivered a talk on "The Dessert that Changed the World" and the forgotten story of Fanny Angelina Hesse.

The Centre for Literary Studies and Translation at SoLAS organised an illuminating discussion on "Reading Lacan, Reading Poe" on 27 September 2025. Prof. M. Madhava Prasad, Professor of Cultural Studies at the English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad delivered and lead this session.



Centre for Literary Studies and Translation at SoLAS organised a session by Prof. M. Madhava Prasad



Launch of WICCI Karnataka Architecture Council at RV University

RVU hosted the launch of the WICCI Karnataka Architecture Council on 26 September 2025, bringing together 23 visionary women architects from across the state. The council is led by President Ar. Apurva Bose Dutta and Vice President Ar. Vijaya Bhargav, under the mentorship of Prof. Anuradha Chatterjee, Pro Vice Chancellor and Professor & Dean, School of Design and Innovation, RV University. The event featured Chief Guest Ms. Odette Katrak, Founder of Beautiful Bharat, who emphasised the importance of eco-friendly construction practices and waste reduction.



The School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP) hosted a distinguished talk on “City and Dignity: When Words Become Space” on 30 September 2025.

The session featured Mr. Shabari Nair, Economic Recovery, Labour Migration and Integration International Organization for Migration at the United Nations and Ms. Meghana Dutta, Co-Founder and Principal Architect at the Studio Decode and Founder of SWA and ANAG, who shared insightful perspectives on urban spaces, dignity, and inclusive city planning.



SoEPP invited Mr. Shabari Nair and Ms. Meghana Dutta to deliver a talk on “City and Dignity: When Words Become Space”

Internationalism



Ms. Renata Sguario met with Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal

On 17 July 2025, Ms. Renata Sguario, CEO and Founder of MAXME, an Australian Registered Training Organisation (RTO) offering diverse programmes for the education sector, visited RVU. She met with Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (Vice Chancellor (i/c) at the time) to explore collaboration opportunities and discuss human skill training initiatives for students, aimed at enhancing their employability and professional development.

On 22 July 2025, a delegation from TU Dortmund University, Germany, met with Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (Vice Chancellor (i/c) at the time), Prof. Anuradha Chatterjee, Pro Vice Chancellor and the Deans of all schools at RV University. The discussions focused on strengthening international collaboration and exploring opportunities for joint research initiatives and academic exchange programmes.



Delegation from TU Dortmund University met the VC, Pro VC and Deans of RVU





SoEPP in collaboration with Dream a Dream and the Centre for Universal Education, The Brookings Institution (USA), hosted a Global South Conversation on "Education Transformation in the Global South: Lessons from India, Peru, and South Africa"

The School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP), in collaboration with Dream a Dream and the Centre for Universal Education, The Brookings Institution (USA), successfully hosted a Global South Conversation on "Education Transformation in the Global South: Lessons from India, Peru, and South Africa" on 25 August 2025.



The event commenced with a welcome address by Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (Vice Chancellor (i/c) at the time) and Dean, School of Business and SoEPP, followed by an inspiring keynote speech by Smt. Prameeta Adoni, Principal, District Institute of Education and Training (DIET), Bengaluru (North).

The distinguished panellists — Dr. Pushkarni Panchamukhi (Associate Dean, SoEPP, RVU), Ms. Valeria Duarte Romero (Enseña Perú, Peru), and Ms. Anne McLennan (Smart Start, South Africa) — shared valuable global perspectives. The session was expertly moderated by Ms. Shilpi Saini from Dream a Dream, India. The event marked a meaningful step towards reimagining education research across the Global South.

A delegation from Montclair State University, USA, led by its President, Dr. Jonathan Koppell, and Dr. Kimberly Hollister, Dean of the Feliciano School of Business, visited the RV University campus on 22 September 2025. The delegation held discussions with the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani and Pro Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, exploring avenues for academic collaboration focused on student mobility, research, and faculty and student exchange programmes.

Delegation from Montclair State University met the VC and Pro VC at RVU



Student Achievements



Ms. Rafa Khan and Ms. Sandhyashree Karanth presented their paper

Ms. Rafa Khan and Ms. Sandhyashree Karanth, third-year students of the School of Law (SoL) and members of the Centre for Criminal Justice Studies, presented their paper "Evidence in the Age of Algorithms: A Legal Analysis under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam" at the 2nd International Conference on Global Criminology and Victimology, 2025. Their research combined legal analysis with a sociological lens, drawing on ideas of Michael Foucault's theories to examine how AI-generated evidence can shape power, surveillance, and behaviour. They highlighted concerns around transparency, bias, privacy, and fair trial rights.

On 24 July 2025, our students from SoB and SDI respectively, Mr. Arya Sujay (President) and Ms. Charitha Rao (Vice President) of the Under 25 Club represented the University at the Under 25 Bootcamp 2025 in Mumbai. The event brought together the top 100 student leaders from across India to celebrate impactful campus initiatives. RVU was nominated in five categories and won three – Best Club, Most Impactful Community and Vice Fellow of the Year – reflecting the creativity, leadership, and spirit of our student community.



Mr. Arya Sujay and Ms. Charitha Rao represented the University at the Under 25 Bootcamp 2025 and won several accolades





RVU students, Mr. Ishan Purohit (B.Tech student from SoCSE), Ms. Aanya Bakshi (SDI alumnus) and Mr. Priyaanshu Arora (SDI alumnus), co-founded The Waiter Company. They have achieved remarkable success at College Youth Ideation 2025 held at IIT Delhi.

Their startup secured AIR 1 in Social Media Fame, was recognised as the Most Crowdfunded Student Startup in the Country, and ranked among the Top 100 Student-Led Startups in India out of over 45,000 applications.

Their achievement reflects RV University's commitment to fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and leadership among its students.

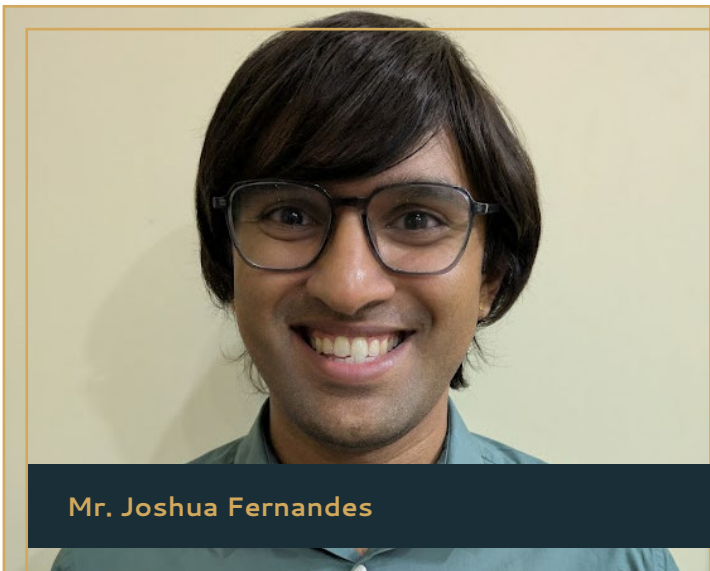
Ms. Gayathri V. Shenoy and Mr. Satvik M. Sanikop, first-year students from the B.C.A. (Hons.) Programme at the School of Computer Science and Engineering have been offered paid internships at Microsoft.



Ms. Gayathri V. Shenoy



Mr. Satvik M. Sanikop



Mr. Joshua Fernandes

Mr. Joshua Fernandes, Ph.D. candidate at the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS), working under the supervision of Dr. Sudhindra Maganahalli (Assistant Professor of Philosophy, SoLAS), has published a paper titled "Raghunātha on the Internal Sense Organ: In the Light of Madhavan's Interpretation" in the Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research.

The paper offers a fresh interpretation of the fifteenth-century Nyāya philosopher Raghunātha Śiromaṇi's views on manas as presented in his Padārthatattvanirūpaṇam, contributing significantly to contemporary scholarship in Indian philosophy.



RVU's SoB students win First Place in National Case Study Competition

Students from the School of Business (SoB) secured First Place in the Case Crack Case Study Analysis Competition organised by Sathyabhama Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai, on 12–13 September 2025.

Originally a postgraduate-level contest, the organisers extended participation to the RVU undergraduate team upon special request. Competing against 40+ teams from across India, Ravi Kiran Erra, Ashwin Suhail and Debmalya Charaborty (BBA 2023 and 2024 batches) emerged as national winners – an outstanding achievement.

Ms. Bhavya Sathenapalli, a Ph.D. candidate in SoB has published an article in The Scientific Temper (a Web of Science journal). The paper is co-authored with her supervisor, Dr. Kali Charan Sabat (Associate Dean and Associate Professor at SoB) and was published on 30 June 2025.

Ms. Bhavya Sathenapalli



Mr. Ankur T. S.

Mr. Ankur T. S., student of the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) was awarded the Best Intern – Sports Event Management at the Infosys Springboard Summit 2025, held at the Infosys Mysore Development Centre.

Chosen among the top 10 students nationwide from 600 interns by CoLLearn and Infosys Springboard, Ankur represented RVU at this prestigious summit.

Felicitated by distinguished IAS & IPS officials and senior leaders from academia and the Infosys Leadership Board, he also presented his project 'Indian Sports Honours' on stage, making the recognition truly exceptional.

RVU student, CPL. Pruthvishree M., from 3/3 Coy, 6 Karnataka BN NCC, Bengaluru 'A' Group, proudly represented the Karnataka & Goa Directorate at the All India Thal Sainik Camp (AITSC) 2025. She brought honour to RVU by winning the Silver Medal in the Health and Hygiene segment. Congratulations to Pruthvishree for this outstanding national-level achievement!

CPL. Pruthvishree M.

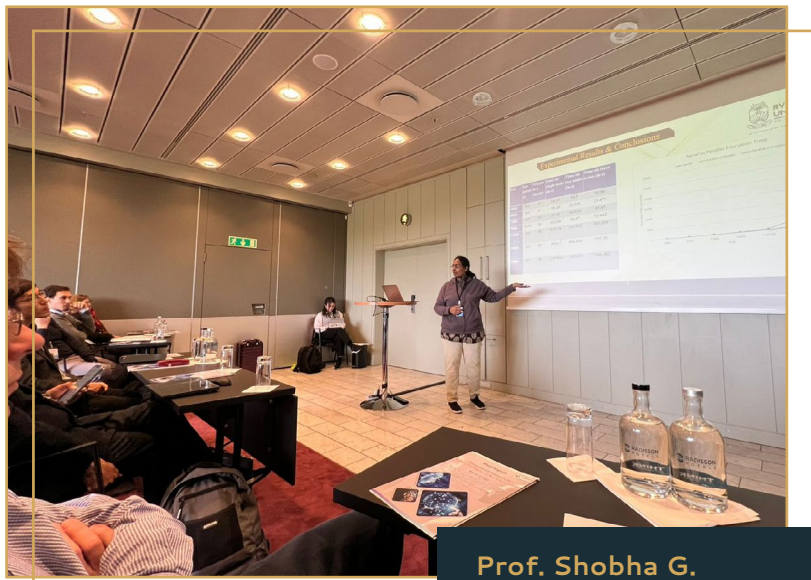


NCC Unit of RVU actively participated in several impactful initiatives promoting health, sustainability, and national pride

During the July–September 2025 quarter, the NCC Unit of RVU actively participated in several impactful initiatives promoting health, sustainability, and national pride. On 12 July, 40 cadets took part in two major events – Awareness on Sickle Cell Anaemia and Puneet Sagar Abhiyaan – spreading messages of public health, environmental care and social responsibility through rallies and outreach.

Independence Day on 15 August was celebrated with flag hoisting, parade, and cultural performances showcasing discipline and patriotism. On 28 September, cadets led a Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Drive under the theme “Swachhata Hi Seva,” engaging in community clean-up and awareness activities.

Faculty and staff Achievements



Prof. Shobha G.

Prof. Shobha G., Dean of the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), delivered an outstanding presentation on "Massively Scalable Density-Based Clustering (DBSCAN) on the HPCC Systems Big Data Platform" at the International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in Copenhagen, Denmark. The Mindspace Conferences & Organising Committee recognised her contribution as highly impactful and noteworthy.

Prof. Arindam Mitra, Dean of the School of Allied and Healthcare Professions (SoAHP), has had a remarkable series of achievements in 2025. In July, he participated in the "Addressing Challenges in Teaching" workshop organised by the National Institute on Scientific Teaching (NIST), focusing on alternative grading strategies and inclusive, evidence-based teaching practices. On 3rd July, he edited an article published in *Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology* on the prognostic and diagnostic significance of inflammatory markers in diabetic foot infections. Shortly after, on 10 July, he joined the Advisory Council meeting of the Microbiology Society, UK, in London contributing to discussions on scientific priorities, policy, diversity, and international collaboration. Dr. Mitra has been elected as an Advisory Council member with a term from 2025–27.



Prof. Arindam Mitra

In September, Prof. Mitra attended BIOME 2025, a US-based National Faculty Development Program, receiving a USD 1,000 scholarship and publishing his presentation as a featured Open Education Resource.

He also co-authored his third open-access Scopus-indexed paper this year in *The Microbe*, exploring the brain-eating amoeba *Naegleria fowleri* and its role in Primary Amebic Meningoencephalitis (PAM), raising critical awareness for public health.

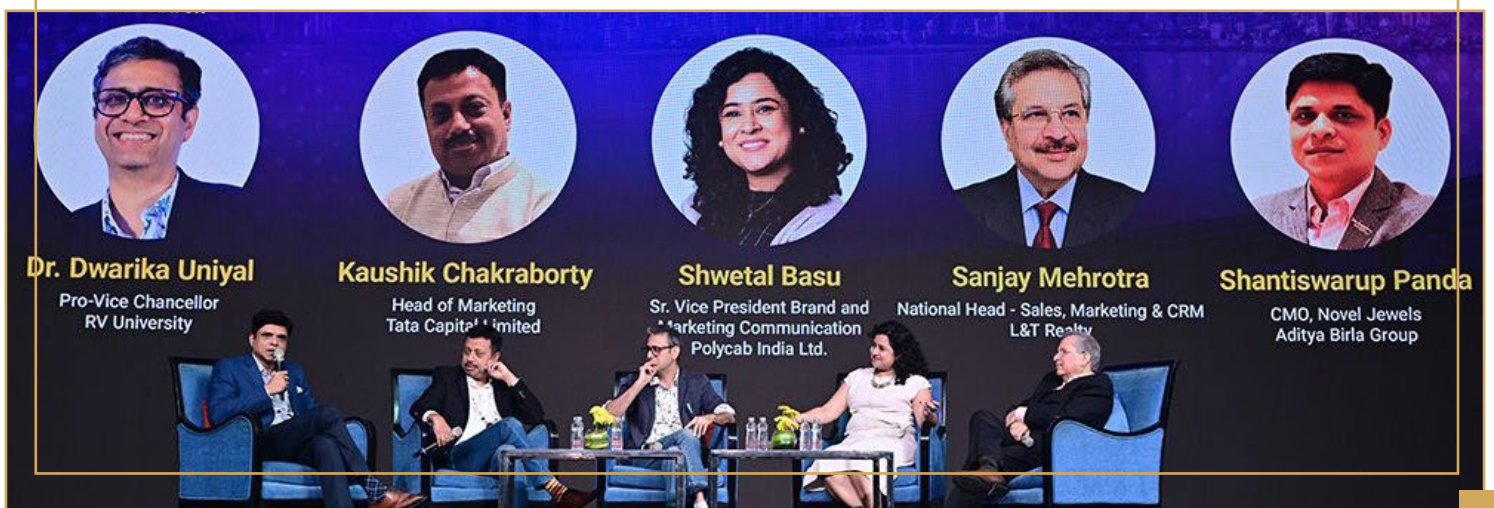


Prof. Ranjini C. R., Professor of Public Policy, School of Economics and Public Policy (SoEPP) was awarded the Silver Prize in the 2025 Teaching Public Service in the Digital Age (TPSDA) Global Case Study Competition, an initiative founded at the Harvard Kennedy School.

Her case study, "India's Open Digital Health Ecosystem: A Case Study of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission," was selected as one of only 12 shortlisted entries from over 300 global submissions, and notably, the only winning entry from India. The competition celebrates innovative teaching approaches that prepare public servants for the challenges of digital-era governance.

Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean of the School of Business, School of Economics and Public Policy, and School for Continuing Education and Professional Studies, delivered a lecture on "Leadership and Crisis Management" at the Indian Railways Institute of Disaster Management on 10 July 2025 and later moderated a panel discussion at the Outdoor Asia Convention (OAC) 2025 in Mumbai (18–19 July 2025) on the theme "Is the Future of OOH an AI Prompt Away?"

He subsequently attended Resonomics at Conrad Bengaluru, engaging with keynote speaker Shri Ram Madhavji and senior industry leaders, and met Mr. Udai Raina, Business Leader, B2B at Reliance Jio, to explore internship opportunities for RVU students. On 25 September 2025, Prof. Uniyal participated as a panellist at an event organised by D2L, where he spoke on "Technology and the Future of Quality Assurance in Indian Higher Education."





Mr. Shantanu Pachauri

Mr. Shantanu Pachauri, Assistant Professor at the School of Law (SoL), has authored an insightful article titled "Narco-Analysis and Procedural Abuse in Bail Proceedings in India", published by the Oxford Human Rights Hub. This was published on 14 July 2025.

On 11 September 2025, Dr. Abhishek Chatterjee, Assistant Professor at the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS), participated in a panel discussion at Vidyashilp Academy on 'Liberal Arts Education in India.' The session explored fresh perspectives and real-world experiences to drive innovation and excellence in liberal arts learning.



Dr. Abhishek Chatterjee



Dr. Bhanu Prakash Nunna

Dr. Bhanu Prakash Nunna, Assistant Professor and Director, Centre for Victimological Research and Victim Assistance (CVRVA) at SoL, has been elected as the Secretary-General of the World Society of Victimology (WSV), becoming only the second Indian ever to hold this prestigious position.

In this global leadership role, Dr. Nunna will steer international advocacy, research, and policy on victim rights, representing WSV at the United Nations and other global platforms, while also shaping the 2027 International Symposium on Victimology in Montreal, Canada.

Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, Vice Chancellor of RVU, served as the keynote speaker and trainer at the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA), Mussoorie, during the Training for Trainers on Basic Leadership Module held on 15 and 16 September 2025.

He also delivered a keynote address on "Leading in an Interdisciplinary World" at IIT Delhi on 21 September 2025. Additionally, he presented a special invited lecture at the Central University of Rajasthan, Kishangarh, on "Leadership as Legacy: Building Institutions with Soul" on 24 September 2025.



Events and Conferences



HR Conclave 2.0 2025: Bridging Academia and Industry

The HR Conclave 2.0, organised by the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) and the Placement Team of RVU on 19 September 2025, brought together HR leaders, industry experts, and academics to explore the theme "The Rise of Generative AI and Its Impact on Human Resource Management."

The event began with opening remarks by Vice Chancellor Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani and Dean SoCSE, Prof. Shobha G., followed by two key sessions – a panel discussion on "Engaging Gen Z at Work" featuring leaders from Microsoft, CGI, Rakuten, and HPCL, and a fireside chat on "Generative AI and HR" with representatives from EY, Salesforce, Fujitsu, Airbus, and Comviva.

The conclave saw enthusiastic participation from HR professionals representing over 80 leading organisations, fostering engaging conversations on how AI is reshaping workforce dynamics and HR practices.





79th Independence Day celebration at RV University

RV University celebrated the 79th Independence Day on 15 August 2025 with pride and enthusiasm. Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean, School of Business and School of Economics and Public Policy, (then Vice Chancellor in-charge), unfurled the national flag and addressed students, faculty, and parents, urging reflection and commitment to national spirit. This was followed by an inspiring address by the Registrar, Prof. Sahana D. Gowda. The celebration concluded with inspiring song and dance performances by students, showcasing patriotism and cultural pride. The event was attended by the staff, students and faculty of RVU.





RVU hosted the Bangalore International Short Film Festival (BISFF) from 15–17 August 2025. The event was inaugurated by Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean, School of Business and School of Economics and Public Policy, (then Vice Chancellor in-charge) and featured screenings of national and international short films, animation movies, and a special retrospective on the late actor Irrfan Khan.

BISFF screenings at RVU

Dr. (hc) A.V.S. Murthy, Chancellor, RV University, and Mr. H.N. Suresh, Director, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, jointly inaugurated Chess By Panchatantra – a story-based chess strategy course – on 16 August 2025 at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan.



Inauguration of "Chess By Panchatantra" Course by Dr. (hc) A.V.S. Murthy and Mr. H.N. Suresh



This initiative is a collaboration between Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (infrastructure partner), RV University (intellectual and delivery partner), and Clio's Gambit (software partner), a student startup from the Centre for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (CIEn) at RVU.

Chess By Panchatantra marks the second course in the "By Panchatantra" series, following the success of Patent Drafting By Panchatantra, which has generated over ₹1 crore in consultancy revenue in the past three years.





RVU successfully organised the Internal Hackathon for Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2025 on 22 September 2025. The event, held under the initiative of the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell, provided a platform for students to showcase their creativity and problem-solving skills through innovative solutions to real-world challenges.

RVU conducts Internal Hackathon for Smart India Hackathon 2025

RVU, in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) – Karnataka Regional Branch, hosted a one-day conference on 'Reducing Maternal Mortality in Karnataka' at the MineRVa Auditorium, RV Centre for Leadership & Executive Education, Bengaluru.

The conference brought together policymakers, public health experts, and medical professionals to deliberate on the factors contributing to Karnataka's maternal mortality ratio (MMR) of 68 per 100,000 live births, higher than most neighbouring states and to identify actionable strategies for improvement.



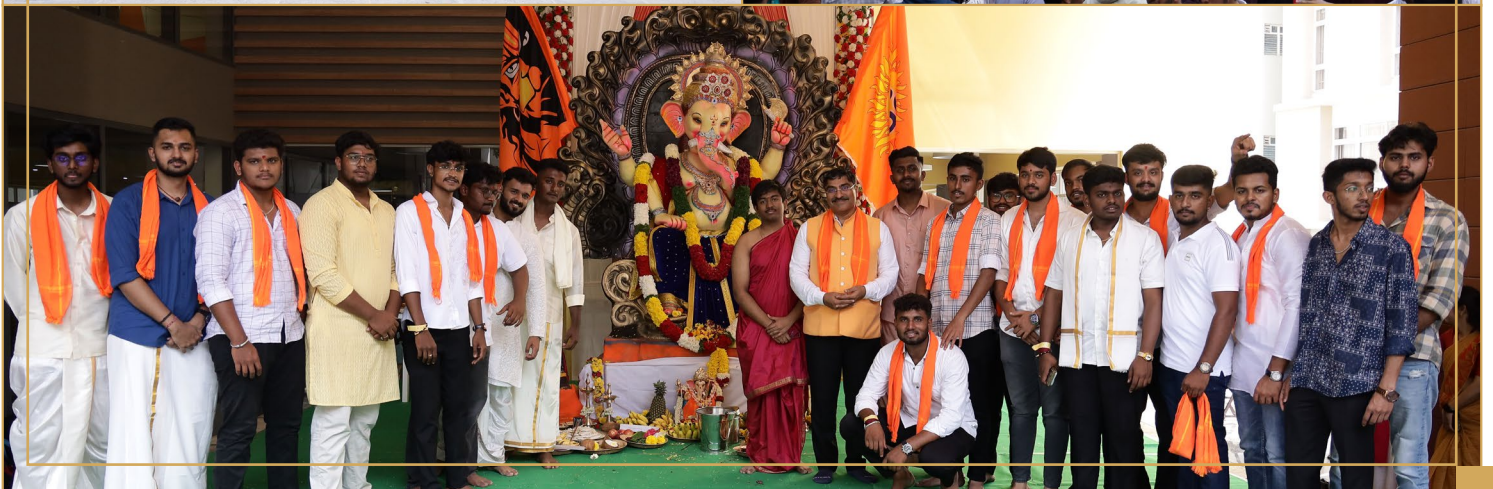
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With keynote addresses by Shri Dinesh Gundu Rao, Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare, and Dr. Sharana Prakash R. Patil, Hon'ble Minister for Medical Education and Skill Development, the discussions underscored the urgent need for collaborative, evidence-based interventions across healthcare systems, community outreach, and data-driven policy.



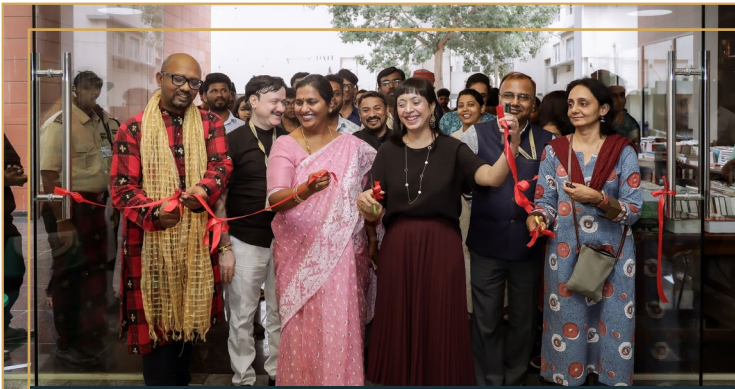
RV University celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi on 4 September 2025, with students and staff coming together on campus for a joyous and festive occasion.





RVU's Intrasport Festival brought together students and staff in a spirited celebration of teamwork and athletic excellence. Spanning several weeks from September, the festival featured friendly yet competitive matches in badminton, volleyball, cricket, football, and basketball. The grand finale on 19 September 2025 showcased thrilling athletic events including sprints, shot put, races, walking competitions, and tug of war. The event concluded with an award ceremony recognising winners with medals and certificates – a fitting tribute to sportsmanship, unity, and enthusiasm across the RVU community.





Library by Brigade organised a two-day book exhibition

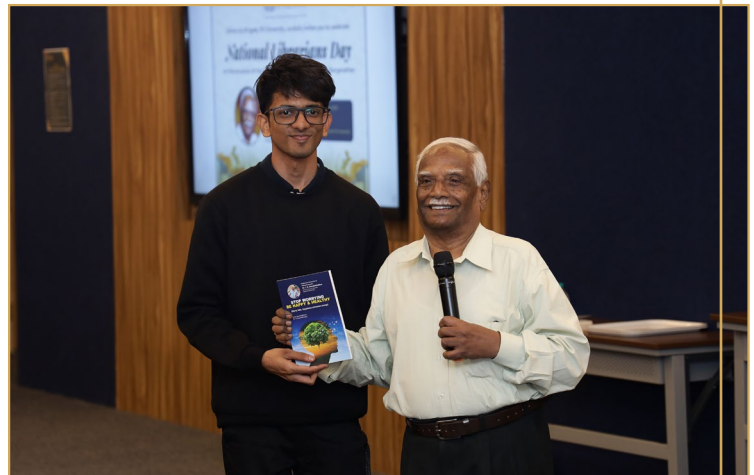
On 11 and 12 September 2025, RVU's Library by Brigade organised a two-day book exhibition which featured a wide array of books covering diverse genres and subjects. Our academic community explored a rich variety of books and resources, some of which were added to the library collection.



National Librarians' Day celebration at RVU

The Library by Brigade at RVU celebrated National Librarians' Day on 12 September 2025, commemorating the 133rd birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan, the Father of Library Science in India.

The event was graced by Dr. C. R. Chandrashekar, a Padma Shri awardee and Founder of Samadhana Counselling Centre and former Professor of Psychiatry at NIMHANS, Bengaluru, who delivered a distinguished public lecture on "Mental Well-being in the Workplace: Strategies for Working Professionals."





Staff and faculty, along with students, celebrated Saraswathi Pooja, the festival of the goddess of knowledge



Partnerships and Collaborations



On 29 July 2025, the School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) has signed an MoU with Garuda Aerospace Private Limited, Chennai, to foster education, research, and innovation in drone technology, UAVs, and aerospace applications. The collaboration will enable specialised training programmes, workshops, internships, and R&D initiatives, along with the establishment of a UAV Data Analytics Lab. This partnership marks a key step in strengthening academia–industry collaboration and advancing national priorities in aerospace and robotics.

SoCSE signed an MoU with Frontier Business Systems Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, to establish customised Cloud Labs across AWS, GCP, and Azure platforms for the academic year 2025–2026. This MoU was signed on 30 July 2025. These labs, aligned with the SoCSE curriculum, will offer students hands-on learning experiences in cloud computing, enhancing their technical skills, placement readiness, and potential for professional certifications. This collaboration reflects RVU's commitment to academic–industry partnerships and advancing skilling and innovation in cloud technologies.





SoCSE signs an MoU with IUCEE

SoCSE signed an MoU with the Indo Universal Collaboration for Engineering Education (IUCEE) on 1 August 2025 to enhance teaching excellence and innovation in engineering education. Following the MoU, a workshop on "Student-Centric Teaching" was organised, led by Prof. Krishna Vedula, Founder and Executive Director of IUCEE. The session guided educators in adopting active learning, real-world problem-solving, and outcome-based teaching methods to foster engaging and dynamic classroom experiences.

A significant MoU was signed between the Bangalore Short Film Festival Limited and the School of Film, Media, and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) in the presence of Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor (at that time, he was acting as the Vice Chancellor in-charge). The partnership establishes a collaborative framework to provide internship opportunities for students in various areas of film festival operations, including curation, content creation, event management, and website design.



RVU signs MoU with Bangalore Short Film Festival Limited



SoFMCA signs MoU with Sochcast

Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Vice Chancellor (In-charge), interacted with the team from Sochcast, an audio-video platform empowering women as content creators in Indian languages. The interaction marked the signing of an MoU between Sochcast and the SoFMCA on 11 August 2025, fostering collaboration in media education, creativity, and digital storytelling.