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# GLIMPSES OF ELEVENTH CONVOCATION AND FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION



## DEFINING MOMENTS

# Eleventh Convocation and Founder's Day



**J**K Lakshmipat University celebrated its Eleventh Convocation Ceremony and Founder's Day on November 23, 2023 marking a momentous occasion for the institution and its graduating students. The ceremony was held at the university campus, with a large gathering of members of the Board of Management and Academic Council, other dignitaries, faculty, staff and students of JKLU and families of graduating students. The celebrations started with lighting the lamp by dignitaries and welcoming the audience by Pro Chancellor of the University, Dr RP Singhania. In his opening remarks, he expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the esteemed guests and particularly the graduating students, for their contributions to the university's success. He congratulated the graduates on their academic achievements and concluded his speech by thanking the parents and media and reminding the

audience of the core principle of JKLU, viz "lead the change rather than just be a part of it." Following the speech, the ceremony paid a touching tribute to the founder of JKLU, Lala Lakshmipat Singhania, whose vision and commitment to education laid the foundation for the institution's growth and success. Following this, Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi presented the Annual Report of JKLU highlighting the landmark events of 2023. From cherishing the most celebrated achievements of the year to rejoicing in the achievements of our faculties and students, Prof. Sanghi took pride in the accomplishments of the students and expressed his gratitude to the Atal Incubation Center for their unwavering support. He encouraged the students to recall the most important takeaways from college life: friendship, skills, and the art of learning. While expressing his gratitude to the graduates, he concluded his speech



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by urging the students to remember that, the idea of success is not defined by wealth or power but by the art of finding happiness and bringing smiles and impact in the lives of others. The highlight of the ceremony was the awarding of degrees and academic honors to the graduating students. The Pro-Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, and Chief Guest jointly presented the degrees, recognizing the students' outstanding academic achievements. The atmosphere was filled with pride and joy as the graduates received their well-earned degrees and pledged to cherish their duties towards the country and the institute.

Chief Guest of the occasion, Mr. Suresh Narayanan, Chairman and Managing Director of Nestle India, delivered an inspiring address that resonated with the graduating students and the entire audience. He shared his personal journey and his share of favorite couplets of Saint Kabir, emphasizing the importance of hard work,

resilience, and the pursuit of dreams. He encouraged the students to base their work ethics on the principles of clarity, competence, introspection, courage, empathy, and the ability to communicate. The audience was left in awe by his amazing words, quoting, "The world is broken and compassion is the madness that binds us together." He concluded his mesmerizing speech by urging the graduates to embrace challenges, stay true to their values, and make a positive impact on the world. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks from Pro Chancellor Mr. HP Singhania, who thanked the dignitaries, faculty members, parents, and graduates for their participation in this momentous event. He encouraged the graduates to continue learning, exploring new horizons, and contributing to society's betterment. The Founder's Day and 11th Convocation Ceremony served as a testament to JK LakshmiPat University's commitment to academic excellence, holistic education, and the empowerment of its students. The graduating students were celebrated for their achievements and encouraged to embark on their future endeavours with confidence and a sense of purpose. The ceremony concluded with a spirit of optimism and hope for the future of the university and its graduates.

## Design Guru Day



On November 9, 2023 JKLU celebrated Design Guru Day to commemorate the birth anniversary of the esteemed Late Prof. MP Ranjan. This significant occasion not only paid homage to the revered design educator and practitioner but also celebrated the remarkable contributions of Prof. S Balam, who was honoured with the prestigious title of Design Guru 2023. Prof. Balam, with an illustrious career spanning nearly five decades, has left an indelible mark on design education. He stands as a pioneer in design education in India and is esteemed worldwide as a design educator, practitioner, author, and TEDx speaker. After completing his Diploma in Mechanical Engineering, he began his career at JK Paper Mills, later pursuing post-graduation in Product Design from NID, Ahmedabad, where he was part of the pilot design batch. Over the years, Prof. Balam has made substantial contributions to design, serving as a faculty member at NID, where he played a key role in its foundation studies. He organized India's first national workshop on Design for the Disabled, authored influential design publications, and earned patents for his innovations. His dedication to improving the quality of life earned him the Helen Keller Award in 2001 and the prestigious Ron Mace Award for Universal Design

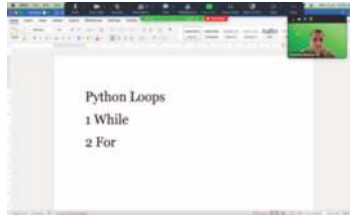


from the United States in 2004, making him the only Indian to achieve this honour. As the Director of SASI Creative Colleges, Coimbatore, Prof. Balam continues to inspire and shape the future of design education. His journey exemplifies the transformative power of design. Design Guru Day 2023 featured Prof. S. Balam delivering the MP Ranjan Memorial Lecture on "The Design Education Imperative." His address served as a testament to the transformative power of design and highlighted his dedication to inclusive design education. The felicitation ceremony for Design Guru 2023 took place at JKLU campus and commenced with an address from the Vice Chancellor, setting the stage for a series of presentations that delved into Prof. Balam's life and influential body of work. The event showcased the work of students of JKLU's Institute of Design through a captivating exhibition on the campus. The preceding evening was marked by an engaging and candid session with the Design Guru, providing students with valuable insights into his experiences, motivations, and the intricacies of his design process. This intimate session added a personal touch to the event, allowing students to connect with and learn from the wealth of knowledge embodied by Prof. S. Balam. Overall, Design Guru Day 2023 was a tribute to the legacy of Prof. MP Ranjan and a celebration of Prof. S. Balam's exceptional contributions to the world of design and heritage.

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# Python Programming

A 2-week online Python course was conducted for first year B.Tech, during July 5 to July 19, 2023. The course aimed to introduce students to the fundamental concepts which includes Python Installation, Python Features, Variable, Data Types, control statement and Loops to develop their coding skills. The course materials included a combination of instructional videos, coding examples, and online resources shared through Google classroom and one drive. Students were provided with coding assignments and exercises to apply their learning and gain hands-on experience. Students demonstrated active engagement by attending the live sessions, completing the assignments and exercises, and actively participating in discussions and Q&A sessions, with the majority submitting their assignments within the given deadlines. The session was conducted by Prof. Devendra Bhavsar and coordinated by Dr. Pushpendra Singh.



# Sessions on Leadership by Prof James Lockhart

Prof. James Lockhart visited JKLU during September 6-8, 2023 and interacted with faculty and students. He spoke about leadership, ethics, education and learning design. He had interactive sessions with 1st year students, student council and faculty members separately during these days. Prof. Lockhart has worked in leadership coaching and mentoring at some of the top financial institutions in the world including Morgan Stanley, Citibank, Barclays and Merrill Lynch. Currently, he is a visiting faculty at University of Navarra, Spain, Fudan University, China, and Vedika Scholars program, India.



# Learning Finance and Fintech



As a part of a course, students from IM have spent a week in villages with Fincare and Fusion Microfinance branches to learn microfinance, understand rural India, and spread financial literacy among villagers under the supervision of faculties, Prof. Praveen Arora and Dr. Riya Sureka

# Invited Session on AI in Banking



Institute of Management, JKLU organised a invited session on "AI in Banking" on August 18, 2023 for BBA Fintech students. Speaker was Mr. Ravi Singhal, who is an Industry Fellow and an Academician. Mr. Ravi spoke about optimization in banking process and how artificial intelligence is going to change the future of banking. He detailed the integration of microchips into cards, expounding on their security enhancements. He also discussed the significance of unique identification numbers in fortifying transaction safety. The session was coordinated by Dr Riya Sureka.

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### Expert Talk on Quantum Computing



On September 18, 2023 an expert talk was arranged at IET, JKLU. Dr. Amlan Chakrabarti, a renowned professor from Calcutta University was invited to deliver expert talk on the upcoming topic of "Quantum Computing". Prior to his talk, he had an interaction with the director and faculty of IET. Students of IET (II, III and IV year ECE and CSE) attended the lecture, who found it very enlightening and were overwhelmed with the depth of knowledge and humility of Dr Chakrabarti. IET is considering a possible collaboration with him while introducing a potentially new subject, viz Quantum Computing. Dr Chakrabarti also encouraged starting a new curriculum on VLSI and a nodal body to participate in a project named Digital Water India for water resource management and water usage data analysis.

### Capacity Building Training Workshop

The Institute of Management conducted a Capacity Building Training Workshop: Finance for Non-Finance on September 11, 2023. The program included 22 participants from JK Tyre Industries Ltd. There were sessions on Financial Taxonomy; Analyzing Financial Statements; Investment Decisions and Credit Management; and Financial Decision-Making through Business Simulation. The overall program was successfully conducted under the management of Dr. Ashwini Sharma, Acting Director-IM and the sessions were conducted by Dr. Lokanath Mishra and Prof. Praveen Arora.



### CCCT event 'What's Your Story?'

The Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking at JKLU organized the latest edition of its 'What's Your Story?' event series, titled 'Tales of Teachers', on September 27, 2023. 'What's Your Story?' is an event that seeks to provide a space for anyone at the university, especially students, to come forward and share their experiences on diverse topics, in any narrative style that they are comfortable with. Participants are encouraged to speak, but not forced; they are free to just listen. The sheer variety of stories makes for an extremely interesting event. This present edition, 'Tales of Teachers', invited people to share their stories of teachers, mentors, and anyone who inspired or taught them. The event was attended by a mixed group of students, teachers, and even alumni, many of whom came forward to share stories of people they learnt from. There were emotional tales, serious ones, and many funny narratives, which made the event particularly entertaining. The revisiting and narration of old memories created a new memory for all who attended: of a wonderful and pleasant evening, amidst a familial atmosphere, listening to stories that all could learn from.



### Workshop on Numbers and the Search for Truth

How can we understand what lies behind numbers and data? How can we measure the quality of development?



What is the difference between skepticism and cynicism? What do the numbers at the back of a chips packet mean? Has today's society gone mad over numbers? These were some of the questions that were discussed during an intriguing and interactive session titled 'Numbers and the Search for Truth', by Mr. Samarth Bansal. Organized by the Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking at JKLU on September 26, 2023, the session focused on how to critically read statistics as reported in the news, and more generally, how to be informed

consumers of the news across different mediums. The speaker, an independent journalist and data scientist, with a background in mathematics and scientific computing at IIT Kanpur, as well as significant work experience at The Hindu and Hindustan Times,

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shared his diverse and interesting experiences investigating numbers and official data, and stories that lie behind these numbers. He emphasised the need to look beyond surface numbers and see what they tell us about the truth of things, and how to think critically to understand the method and process of obtaining the numbers, in order to see the underlying reality. He asked the audience to be discerning skeptics, rather than cynics. The talk closed with the reading of a passage from Neil Postman's book 'Amusing Ourselves to Death: Public Discourse in the Age of Show Business', to highlight that perhaps the biggest challenge today is not a lack of information, but that there is too much information, and too many distractions that keep us from seeing what truly matters.

## Talk on Generative AI to solve Business Problems

JKLU organized an invited session on 'Generative AI to solve Business Problems' for B.Tech. III and IV year students. The speaker of the session was Mr. Jyotishko Biswas, lead global ML team in HP Inc Finance and responsible for development of large enterprise-wide multi-year AI project and lead portfolio of GenAI use cases. He has completed over 100 ML projects and coached over 1000 ML professionals. He delivered business benefits of ~\$50M through AI and analytics solutions during his career. He is lead global initiative to drive digital awareness and literacy in multiple sites across globe for HP's Finance organization of 3000+ employees. Jyotishko has over 17 years of experience in AI, have built AI solutions for technology (HP, IBM, Cisco etc.), CPG and Banking industry with experience in working in firms with diverse organization cultures like Deloitte, IBM, HP and start-up. Mr. Biswas conducted two sessions. More than a hundred students participated this session. In the first session, he interacted with computer science students of III and IV year and answered their questions regarding internships and jobs in a AI company in the current scenario. In the second session, he addressed the students as well as faculty members and showed a use case of generative AI to solve an industry relevant problem on contracts between the top 500 fortune companies.



## Invited session on "Goods and Services Tax: Practical insights"

A session on "Goods and Services Tax: Practical Insights" was held at IM Amphitheatre of JKLU on October 11, 2023 for BBA Sem V students. The Speaker was CA Pulkit Khandelwal, a Chartered Accountant, Company Secretary and Law graduate, currently Managing Partner of DPK & Associates (CA Firm). He is a celebrated speaker on GST, having delivered sessions at various public, private & government forums and a regular speaker at various institutions like MSME Training Center, Regional Training Institute, AG Office, ICAI, ICSI, IIMM, FIEO, WTC, etc. CA Pulkit spoke about the GST system and how it is different from the earlier system of indirect taxes in India. He enlightened students on how the current tax system is beneficial to the end consumers and how it has been able to overcome the shortcomings of the earlier system. He also spoke about the practical insights about the GST system and shared his experience with his clients. It was a very interactive session, in which 41 students participated.



## Invited session on "Financial Market and Future of Banking"

A session on "Financial Market and Future of Banking" was held at IM Amphitheatre of JKLU on October 25, 2023 for BBA Sem I and Sem III students. The Speaker was Mr. PS Yadav, Dy General Manager, State Bank of India, having 34 years of experience in the banking sector. He has played a pivotal role in shaping the financial landscape and profoundly understands the dynamic changes taking place in the world of finance and banking. Mr. Yadav spoke about the new revolution the Indian banking system is undergoing, including the digitization, integration of artificial intelligence and machine learning. He spoke about the current market base of SBI, how it has undergone the digital transformation and what are its merits and demerits. He also shared insights on the figure of Indian banking system and how it's going to impact each one of us. It was a very interactive session and students enjoyed to be a part of it. The lecture will be followed by a Q&A session in which 35 students participated.



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# Application of Data Science

Smart Technology Club of JKLU organized a session on "Application on Data Science" by Ms. B. Chandra for students of all disciplines and batches on October 16, 2023. The event saw the participation of 13 faculty members and 52 students and was coordinated by Dr. Renu Jain, Dr. Amit Sinhal, Paras Goyal and Dev Rishi Verma.



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# International Alumni Speaker Series

The International Alumni Speaker Series at JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, featured an enlightening session with Arman Singhal, a successful alumnus who pursued his higher education at the University of Florida, USA, on July 26, 2023. The session aimed to provide valuable insights and experiences to all students interested in studying abroad. It was organized by Dr. S. Taruna and Prof. Devendra Bhavsar and graced by Vice Chancellor, Dr. Dheeraj Sanghi.

Arman Singhal shared his journey of pursuing higher education overseas. He spent his 8th semester at University of Florida where he undertook a combination of 4 undergraduate and masters courses. His exceptional academic performance led him to securing a master's position, enabling him to complete the master's program in the next 1.5 years. He emphasized the importance of engaging in internships, part-time jobs, and research labs to explore various avenues for skill development and growth. He also highlighted the MoU signed between the University of Florida and JK Lakshmipat University (JKLU), which played a crucial role in the admission process. He mentioned that students applying through the MoU had an advantage over those applying individually. Key takeaways from the session included the immense value of diversity and networking opportunities available in the United States. Arman candidly addressed the challenges he encountered during the application and admission process, visa arrangements, and cultural adjustments. He discussed the challenges he faced, including language barrier, cultural adjustments, time management and self-discipline. He provided valuable insights on overcoming them, emphasizing the significance of consistent effort, networking, and seeking support from peers and professors.



He provided valuable advice for students aspiring to pursue their master's degrees in the US. He emphasized the importance of scoring well in language proficiency exams like TOEFL/IELTS and GRE, with a minimum score of 320 for GRE. Furthermore, he advised students to research and compile a list of top foreign universities offering relevant courses, such as Management Information Systems (MIS) and Computer Science (CS). Moreover, he talked about the top five buckets in CS, including Software Development, Blockchain, Gaming (VR/AR), Performance Computing, and Financial Computing. In his closing message, Arman encouraged all attendees to consider taking the step of pursuing higher education in foreign universities at least once in their lives. Arman's journey served as an inspiration to the attendees, motivating them to consider international education as a transformative and enriching experience.

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### Orientation Programme - AARAMBH'23

**J**K Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, celebrated the commencement of its new incoming batch with a 12-day long orientation programme called AARAMBH'23. The programme, which was a fully residential experience, started on July 24, during which all newly admitted students of Batch 2023 resided on campus and engaged in various enriching activities. Through the 12 day programme, the newly admitted students were acquainted with the university's facilities, departments, functions, rules and regulations. They were also introduced to the student council and various student clubs at the university. The orientation programme was designed to make the students feel at home and comfortable in their new academic environment.



AARAMBH'23 featured an exciting lineup of events, including power talks by eminent personalities such as Younus Khimani, Rabia Gupta, Anjali Suneja, Dr. Daisy Sharma, Kiran Sharma, and many more. Numerous workshops were conducted, focusing on strategic thinking, goal setting, art of living, and a five-day theater show by "Rang Mastaney" that left a lasting impact on the participants. One of the most memorable workshops was hosted by "Manzil Mystics" and their mobile studio, where students got a chance to sing along and explore their musical talents. Apart from workshops, the students participated in morning activities like yoga, zumba, and sessions by the ITRA Foundation, teaching them how to connect with nature and energize themselves for the day ahead. In the evenings, various club activities were organized, catering to the diverse interests of the students. One of the main highlights of the orientation programme was an adventurous hiking trip that excited the students. They embarked on a thrilling trek along the Nahargarh route, where they enjoyed snacks at the peak point, followed by a delightful lunch. On the concluding day of AARAMBH'23, students presented a skit performance they had diligently prepared over the last five days with the assistance of the talented "Rang Mastaney" team. AARAMBH'23, was successfully organized by the Office of Student Affairs, under the guidance of Mr. Deepak Sogani, Head of Student Affairs and his team consisting of Mr. Sami Ur Rehman, Ms. Pallavee Sharma, 4 organizing heads, 9 coordinators and 37 volunteers.



### Visit from HR Guru, Dr. T.V. Rao

**P**rominent HR Professional, Dr. T.V. Rao, considered as one of the Fathers of HRD in India visited JK Lakshmipat University on July 12, 2023. He has been a Professor at Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA) and worked as HRD Advisor to the Reserve Bank of India, and has assisted the Administrative Reforms Commission in reviewing the personnel management practices for civil services. He has also served as a member of the HRM Review Committee of Nationalized Banks set up by the Ministry of Finance. An interactive session Dr. Rao with JKLU Faculty was organized at the Board Room, Administration Block, JK Lakshmipat University, followed by High Tea in his honour.



### Visit from St. Cloud State University, USA

**J**K Lakshmipat University has renewed its MoU with St. Cloud State University, USA for another 5 years. Prof. Hiral Shah, Professor at SCSU visited JKLU on July 19, 2023 as a part of renewal of Memorandum of Understanding.



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### Ask Me Anything Sessions

A series of 10 AMA or Ask Me Anything sessions happened in Webinar mode between June 24 and July 22, 2023, in which an expert from JKLU spoke about an interesting topic which is frequently enquired about by prospective students looking for admission in a graduation programme. There was a very high level of engagement, with 160 unique participants on Zoom, 1788 viewers on Instagram Live and a social media reach of 3393. Following are the topics and the experts who spoke on them.

- An Overview of BTech – Dr. Dheeraj Sanghi, Vice Chancellor, JKLU
- An Overview of BBA – Prof. Asheesh Gupta, Pro Vice Chancellor, JKLU
- Why BBA after 10+2? – Dr. Ashwini Sharma, Acting Director, Institute of Management, JKLU
- Skills and Competencies one can expect to develop through a BTech programme – Dr. Pushendra Singh, Associate Professor, Institute of Engineering & Technology, JKLU
- Unveiling BBA Banking & Fintech – Prof. Praveen Arora, Professor of Practice, Institute of Management, JKLU
- Navigating Career Paths after BTech – Dr. Amit Sinhal, Professor, Institute of Engineering & Technology, JKLU
- Embracing Boundless Opportunities with BBA Entrepreneurship and Disciplinarity – Dr. Sheetal Mundra, Associate professor, Institute of Management, JKLU
- Being Future-Ready : Ensuring you Grow with Technology – Dr. Deepika Prakash, associate Professor, Institute of Engineering & Technology, JKLU
- Explore Opportunities for Student Leadership and Involvement in Decision-Making Processes – Mr. Deepak Sogani, Head of Student Affairs, JKLU
- Importance of Mental Health and its Impact on Overall Well-Being – Ms. Pallavee Sharma, Sr Executive – Wellness, JKLU



JK Lakshmipat University, held Open Houses on the July 9 and 16, 2023 to allow for prospective students to engage with the institution's academic offerings and campus milieu and make informed decisions regarding Admission in 2023. The event garnered the attendance of 20 aspiring students and parents, reflecting a valuable opportunity for them to gain insights into the university's diverse programs, admission requisites, and overall academic ethos. The idea was to exhibit and demonstrate the distinguished attributes of JKLU, highlighting its curriculum excellence, extracurricular opportunities, and state-of-the-art facilities. The sessions encompassed in-depth discussions pertaining to the university's array of undergraduate and postgraduate programs, admission prerequisites, available scholarships, and extracurricular pursuits. There was also a guided tour of classrooms, libraries, laboratories, sports amenities and student lodgings, which provided aspirants with an authentic glimpse into the community environment



### Open House

that defines JK Lakshmipat University. The events facilitated meaningful interactions between attendees, faculty and staff members and current students, fostering an environment conducive to informed decision-making and ultimately led to new admissions. The event generated a positive buzz on social media, particularly Instagram, with engaging stories capturing distinct aspects of the Open House Day.

### Training Program on Electrical Safety

JKLU conducted one-day training program on "Electrical Safety" for faculty and staff on August 19, 2023. The program was designed to enhance awareness, promote safe practices, and equip participants with the knowledge for dealing with electrical hazards. The program covered various essential aspects of electrical safety, including Identification of Electrical Hazards and Risks, Safe Use and Maintenance of Electrical Equipment, Fire Prevention and Emergency Response and Hands-on Demonstrations and Practical Exercises. Participant feedback was very positive. Many expressed their appreciation for the practical nature of the training, which contributed to strengthening the overall safety culture at JKLU campus. Dr. Jitendra Kumar Singh conducted training program, which was organized by Dr. Pushendra Singh.



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### Workshop on Game Development



Institution's Innovation Council, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur organised a workshop on Game Development during August 21-22, 2023. About 36 students participated in this workshop where students got exposure to Unity for game development. Speakers at the event were Mr. Rishi Goyal and Mr. Vanshaj Arora and Student Coordinators were Mridul, Anusha and Kumar Mangalam. Throughout the

duration of the workshop, our students had the opportunity to engage with some of the brightest minds in the industry.

### Workshop on "The Making of Indian Constitution"



The Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking organized a workshop on the theme of The Making of Indian Constitution on August 16 and 18, 2023 at IM Amphitheatre. Having a clear understanding of constitution is a necessary learning for students who will become the future professionals in India. For this reason, JKLU organized workshops on Indian constitution for undergraduate students across all the departments of the university. The understanding of constitution is necessary because it helps students to develop their decision-making capabilities, teaches how to understand national laws, how to accept

## Independence Day Celebration



JKLU celebrated Independence Day on August 15, 2023, with patriotic fervour. Celebrations started with a march past by the University security staff from VC House to Central Lawn of the university. Thereafter, the National Flag was hoisted by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi, who was earlier escorted by a Guard of Honour to the Central Lawn. The entire campus was gleaming with Rangoli and striking floral decorations. National anthem was sung by the JKLU choir which was followed by Prof. Sanghi's encouraging address to the gathering. This was followed by a cultural programme in which students and children gave speeches, recited poems, sang patriotic songs and danced to patriotic numbers.

diversity, the structure of Indian government and, most importantly, the meaning of citizenship rights and duties in India. Former Head of the Department of History and Indian Culture, Prof. Sangeeta Sharma delivered two lectures in JKLU on August 16 and 18, to the undergraduate students to make them understand in which way the constitution of India had been written. She spoke about the purpose of writing of Indian constitution. Her lectures clarified why a person needs to know the constitution of his or her country. It described the relation between rights and duties of people of a state and also demonstrated why, as the future of India, the students should read the constitution. She clarified the fundamental rights of people in India and also unfolded the history of amendments of constitution. The lectures were attended by about 100 students of BBA 3rd Semester and faculty.

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### Seminar on 'The Beginnings of Design Education in India'



CCCT conducted a seminar titled "The Beginnings of Design Education in India" on August 23, 2023. Prof. S. Balaram, a designer, teacher and author with 54 years of experience, was the speaker of the seminar. He was among the pioneer design educators of India who started with the National Institute of Design, where he held the role of Chairman of Education and led the "New Design Curriculum Development Group". As the Chairman of Extension Programmes to help small/medium-scale industries, he established Design Cells at all major cities in India, for the first time. During the seminar, he discussed the formative years of design education in India, and by extension, the beginnings of the design profession. The speaker elaborated on the concerns which drove the push for design in newly independent India, and the visionary ideals that brought together engineers, artists and craftspeople from several parts of the country to become the first group of design educators. Further, Prof. Balaram shed light on the unique teaching methods that were developed in this early phase, which still serve as a model to design institutions in the country.



### Chandrayaan 3 Live streaming & Gaze and Spot'

The Astronomy club, Nakshatra of our university organized a live stream of the Chandrayaan 3 Landing along with a Moon Gazing event afterwards on August 23, 2023. The club event was organized under the Council of Technical Affairs. The live streaming started at 5:30 PM and was done at the IET Amphitheatre, which was filled with



not just students but staff and members of the university. The enthusiasm everyone showed when Chandrayaan landed was a treat to watch. The live streaming with everyone holding our national flag. After the live streaming, the coordinators of the event, Aaditya Saxena, Anwesha Mondal & Vaibhav Chouhan along with volunteers of 1st year started preparing for the observatory event. They set up the Telescope and more than 40 students arrived in no time for the 'Gaze & Spot' event. The participants observed the south pole of the moon using the telescope and the binoculars. The volunteers were more than happy to be a part of the event. Participants expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to observe the moon and also showed their desire to learn more about astronomy and join this club. They appreciated the friendly and supportive atmosphere created by the organizers and the team of amateur astronomers. The event successfully terminated by 8:00 PM. The whole live streaming and observatory event was organized by the Nakshatra club and was an amazing experience for all participants.



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### Seminar on 'Building Language Proficiency'

CCT conducted a seminar titled "Building Language Proficiency" on August 24, 2023. Ms. Juhi, Learning Expert & Assistant Manager- Institutional Partnerships at Burlington India, was the speaker at the seminar. During the seminar, she interacted with the students on unlocking the power of language covering points like Academic Excellence, Effective Communication, Enhanced Language Proficiency, etc. The seminar was attended by 53 students of BBA 1st semester.



### JKO Sales & Marketing Excellence Workshop

JK LakshmiPat University, Jaipur, hosted the event ISB - JK Organisation Sales & Marketing Excellence Workshop from August 23 – 25, 2023. It was an opportunity to increase the visibility of JKLU at the JKO level. The Inauguration and Valedictory sessions of the JK Organisation Sales & Marketing Excellence Workshop were held on August 23 and 25, respectively, at IET Smart class room. Dr. Dheeraj Sanghi, Vice Chancellor, JKLU gave the Welcome Address, while Mr. Prem Singh, President- Group HR, JK Organization gave the Introduction & Context Setting of the JKO Sales & Marketing Excellence Program. Mr. H P Singhania, VC and MD JK Paper Ltd, gave the Keynote address and Mr SR Pandey, Chief of HR & Administration, JKLU, gave the Vote of Thanks. Dr. Sanghi also gave the Valedictory address on the last day.



### Engineers Day



On September 15, 2023, the IET Amphitheatre at IET JKLU came alive with excitement and enthusiasm as we celebrated "Engineering Day." This annual event, dedicated to honouring the incredible contributions of

engineers and fostering a spirit of innovation, was a resounding success, capturing the essence of engineering excellence. The event started with Lamp Lighting and a rendition of Saraswati Vandana by students. Vice Chancellor, Dr Dheeraj Sanghi, delivered an insightful speech, emphasizing the pivotal role of engineers in shaping our future. It was a reminder of the visionary engineer Sir M. Viswesvaraya's birth anniversary, and the occasion served as a tribute to his pioneering contributions to the field. Engineering students who achieved laurels for the university were honoured on this occasion. The highlight of the event was an engaging interactive session with Chief Guest of the day, Mr. Yogesh Agarwal, Director L&D, Wipro Technologies. He delved into the modernization of mobile technology and the rapid advancements in the mobile industry and also encouraged innovative thinking and problem-solving. He also explained about the importance of the empathy in our life, empathy through the rapid advancement in mobile technology. Engineering Day Quiz made the event more exciting and featured a series of challenging rounds, beginning with an online quiz to determine the top 10 teams. These finalists then engaged in a visually stimulating quiz, followed by a thrilling team showdown involving three teams. The rapid-fire round raised the stakes, testing quick thinking and knowledge. Finally, the event culminated in a suspenseful final round where each team drew a chit and provided answers to complex engineering questions. The event celebrated engineering excellence, teamwork, and adaptability while providing an exciting platform for participants. Congratulations to all involved for making this event a resounding success. At the end Dr Gaurav Mani, faculty IET, proposed the vote of thanks.



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### Aditya L-1 Launch Live stream

JKLU's Astronomy club, Nakshatra, organized a live stream of the launch of Aditya L-1 at IET Amphitheatre. This was an important event as it is India's first observation mission to the Sun. The club event was organized under the Council of Technical Affairs. Everyone watched the launch together right up to its stage 3 separation. Overall, the audience was happy with such huge steps of India in the space field. The event was ended with a group photo.

### Parichay – The Fresher's Day

PARICHAY, the annual fresher's party, was celebrated on the September 2, 2023 at JKLU's SABRANG Ground, under the banner of "FUSION FIESTA." It aimed to craft an indelible welcome for the latest additions to our academic family. With its theme "FUSION FIESTA," the event artfully wove together the threads of tradition and modernity. It became a splendid canvas to display our institution's rich cultural heritage while embracing the contemporary spirit of our diverse student body. The evening sparkled with a dynamic array of activities, including a Talent Hunt, DJ Night, Ramp Walk, Group and Solo Dance, each etching unforgettable moments into the attendees' memories. The fresher's party's essence lies in its friendly welcome and the encouragement it offers to new students, igniting their creativity and boosting their confidence. Prizes added to the excitement, with even the core team and coordinators gracing the ramp. The highlight that set hearts racing was the announcement of Mr. and Ms. Fresher's 2023, a moment eagerly awaited by all newcomers.



### Aabhar 2023

JKLU celebrated AABHAR 2023 on September 11, 2023, to honour teachers and mentors and express our gratitude to them. It was a heartwarming event where our students extended their heartfelt appreciation to the principals and teachers of the schools they studied in prior to joining JKLU. Chief Guest of the event, Prof. James Lockhart, engaged in a meaningful interaction with our dedicated educators, fostering a sense of unity and shared wisdom.



### Campus Wellness



Mindery Technologies is connected with JKLU in providing the "Mental Health & Wellbeing Services" to the campus. All students will have access to a wide range of wellness services and counselling support (Counselling Services, Mental Health Resources, Wellness Workshops and 24/7 Support) through Mindery Technologies. Their counsellor will be available "Every Thursday" on campus.

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### 5-Day Yes!+ Workshop

The YES!+ workshop is an initiative by The Art of Living Foundation, founded by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, designed to empower young individuals with essential life skills, including yoga, meditation, breathing techniques, and practical wisdom. The workshop meant for the age group of 17-30 years was held at JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur from August 16-20, 2023. It aimed to equip participants with tools for personal development, stress management, and enhanced well-being. The primary objectives of the 5-Day YES!+ workshop are to foster physical fitness and vitality through yoga and breathwork, enhance mental clarity and resilience through meditation and stress management techniques, nurture emotional intelligence and interpersonal skills, and cultivate self-confidence, leadership abilities, and a sense of purpose. 25 students from different batches and courses participated. They were introduced to SUDARSHAN KRIYA, which is a rhythmic breathing technique that harmonizes the body-mind-complex resulting in the reduction of stress and anxiety, better sleep, a stronger immune system, and increased energy levels. These techniques when practiced regularly will definitely result in the overall development of individuals. Aside from meditation and breathing techniques, several fun and thrilling games were played to help with grasping the knowledge teachings and their application in real life. Ms. Vibhuti Mehra from The Art of Living conducted the YES!+ course. Her expertise, enthusiasm, and unwavering commitment to the holistic development of our participants were instrumental in the success of this program. It equipped young participants with essential life skills, enhanced their physical and mental well-being, and empowered them to lead more purposeful life.



### National Level Basketball Tournament: JKLU Redwolves at Central Zone

The National Level Basketball Tournament held from September 1-6, 2023 at Jalandhar, Punjab, witnessed intense competition from teams across the country. Among the standout participants was the team "JKLU Redwolves," led by Akshat Agarwal, representing the Central Zone. The team played a total of 3 matches during the tournament (against RJIT, Jain University and LPU Jalandhar).



### Student Council Workshop

A Student Council Workshop was conducted on September 16, 2023. It started with an introduction by the Council President, Vidit Sharma, followed by a presentation by Head of Student Affairs, Mr. Deepak Sogani. The core objectives of Student Council in JKLU were highlighted and their founding principle of inclusion of all, but not limited to, student participation, collaboration and engagement within and outside of the Council. It went on to delineate the specific roles and responsibilities of the members, of each sub-council, through proactive participation, building earnest team synergies, and accepting diversity in thoughts, views and perspectives with respect. The presentation further explained the credit points system (including credit points on work done, relative marking, rank sheets and final average scores) with great clarity. It was followed by the introduction of Council members and the overall roles and responsibilities of the 6 different Student Councils in JKLU, viz

- Academic Affairs Council
- Public Relations Council
- Technical Affairs Council
- Cultural Affairs Council
- Campus Life Council
- Sports Council

The meeting dwelt on a few key operational issues like, communicating matters like proposals, budgets, reports, and conflict resolution activities on email, crafting crisp effective



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communication in multiple formats for greater speed and better understanding. It also discussed the core elements and methods of Budgeting for critical activities. The guidelines for drafting minutes of all Council meetings in a standard template were explained thoroughly. It was decided that minutes would have to be submitted within 24 hours of every Council meeting on email. The meeting then went on to discuss the Credit Points system focussed on performance checking, exit interviews, criteria sheets, scores, and feedback from within and across Councils/Clubs. It also discussed outreach initiatives, expert talks on diverse topics, and the overall admissions process. The concluding segment of the meeting started with a sum-up of deliberations by Vedit. The council set a goal of planning at least 200 events in the current academic year.

## Higher Education Awareness Fair



**M**ayo College organized the Higher Education Awareness Fair on September 2, 2023. This event attracted a total of 140 universities, including 80 national and 60 international institutions. The event provided a platform for students and parents to engage with Admission Officers and Representatives with whom they could discuss various aspects of their educational journey, such as study prospects, campus life, admission procedures, scholarships, and post-study work opportunities, among others. The fair attracted over 500 Students (from 9th to 12th grades), over 200 University Representatives and over 50 Professors and Experts. Some of the notable participating institutions included JKLU, Manipal University, Amity University, Sir Padampat Singhania University, Manav Rachna, Thapar, Srishti University, Deakin University, Bocconi University, Whistling Woods, St. Mary's University London, and the University of Finland, among others. Career Counselling workshops covered topics such as, areas ranging from Animation to creating Maker portfolios, Design thinking, Philosophy, Law, Life Sciences, Liberal Arts, Music, Art, International Study Prospects, College Essays, SOPs and Modern Age Universities in India and much more. There were Alumni led Panel discussions, Informal Alum interactions,

sessions for parents and faculty. The fair generated significant interest among students, resulting in 30 inquiries across different grade levels. Many students expressed a strong interest in management courses, particularly BBA and B.Com, in various disciplines. Parents also actively participated in the event, seeking information about universities and the latest higher education and

## CDC Kindness Carnival

**//** Nayi Disha" school outreach program by Udgam – JKLU's CDC Team has been designing and conducting new activities to make learning energizing, interesting and stimulate creative thinking among school children. The volunteers conducted learning games for the students, including Kho-Kho, Steal the handkerchief, Reasoning, Alphabetic Game and Quiz. The activities were conducted for students from 1st to 8th standard. The students reflected high enthusiasm and participated with extreme joy.



## Intra Hackathon for Smart India Hackathon 2023



**O**n September 22, 2023, the Smart Technology Club of JKLU organized an intra hackathon for the Smart India Hackathon 2023. Students identified various problem statements in the field of agriculture, cyber security, health care, surveillance, and measures to protect the environment. Teams of students showcased their solutions for the identified problem statements, as stated in the SIH'23 problem statement list. Ideas were presented to the jury members, who asked for valuable input. The intra hackathon was motivated towards the modifications and changes teams could make to their tentative solutions before submitting their final ideas. A total of 12 teams and 72 students presented their ideas to the jury with their mentors. The jury consisted of JKLU faculty members from the Design, Management, and Technology departments. Amidst the sense of competition, each team gave their best effort towards their end goal. Hence all of them were qualified for SIH. Vice Chancellor Mr. Dheeraj Sanghi congratulated the teams and their mentors for taking a step towards a healthy future.

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# Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration



**G**anesh Chaturthi was celebrated in the campus. Spanning seven days, daily morning and evening aarti rituals were performed. Post-evening aarti activities included games. Cultural events preceded the evening aarti, showcasing talent within the community by the Council of Cultural Affairs. It was grand success, bringing together the campus community for a week of festivities. A special bhandara was organized on the second last day, offering meals to attendees. The culmination of the event was visharjan ceremony on 25th September. The Seven-Day Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration, organized by Anant Narayan Pandey, Riya Patel, and Anmol Bhargava, BBA 2nd Year students, was a remarkable success, uniting the campus community in devotion, cultural festivities, and joy. The event's reliance on donations showcased the community's support and commitment to celebrating this auspicious occasion.



## Musical Performance by Anunaad



**O**n the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, The Music Club, 'Anunaad' organized a vibrant and memorable music performance on September 22, 2023. The event aimed to celebrate the spirit of creativity and expression while paying homage to Lord Ganesha, the patron of arts and intellect. Devotional and melodious songs were sung and performed by the Music Club.

The atmosphere was charged with enthusiasm, and the stage was adorned with beautiful decorations in honor of Lord Ganesha. The event began with a warm welcome. Then, Mr. Akshit Tiwari performed on motivating and soothing devotional songs alongside Aaryan Maheshwari on drums and Akshat Bhandari on Keyboard followed by performance by Aaditya Vyas. These sessions showcased the incredible diversity of talent within our university. People were enjoying the event and the overall environment.

## Debate Competition

**M**use-Ink, JKLU's Literary Club, organized a Debate Competition on September 27, 2023. It brought together passionate debaters, showcased their skills, and provided a platform for intellectual discourse. The competition followed a traditional debate format with teams of two students each, one arguing for the motion and the other against it. Each speaker had a set time limit for their speeches, and there were rules in place for rebuttals and cross-examination. It consisted of 2 rounds, including preliminary round and a final round. We started off with first round with the topic "Is Social Media a catalyst for human communication or a hindrance" that took the most time as each team member of all 4 teams started with their opening statements and arguments. In the second round, the qualified teams were given the topic on spot which was "Money as a Major Source of Motivation at the Workplace". Each participant given 5 minutes to prepare their arguments. There were 8 participants. Judges of this event was faculty Dr. Azeemah Saleem & Dr. Saurabh Singanapalli, who, after intense deliberation, declared the winners. Winning team received an Amazon voucher of worth Rs.1200 and the Runner up team received an Amazon voucher worth Rs. 800.



## In-House Wellness Workshop



**A** 1-hour In-House Wellness Workshop was organized by at JKLU Campus on September 22, 2023. Total 16 people participated – 14 students & 2 Faculty & Staff. The major objectives of this workshop were to release mental stress, release emotional baggage of past, accept reality and look for the optimistic side in life. The workshop consisted of Ice-Breaking, Worry Basket Activity, Guided Imagery Technique, Expression with Colours (on paper), Self-Note and Praising to Self & Other.

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### Meet The Minds

**M**eeT The Minds series, started by Code Hub, JKLU's Competitive Programming Club, brings together individuals with a great reputation in the world of competitive programming to share their knowledge, experiences, and insights with the community. It is designed to offer a platform for learning, mentorship and networking. It provides participants with a unique opportunity to interact with personalities who have excelled in competitive programming, allowing them to gain valuable insights into what it takes to succeed in this challenging domain.

The series' first session was conducted on September 29, 2023 at the IET Amphitheatre. It was attended by more than 30 students and faculty members. The speaker for the first MEET THE MINDS series session was Professor Sudarshan Iyengar, HOD of the CSE department at IIT Ropar.



### Capacity Building Training Workshop

**T**he Institute of Management conducted a Capacity Building Training Workshop: Finance for Non-Finance on October 6, 2023. The program included 29 participants from JK Tyre Industries Ltd. There were sessions on Financial Taxonomy; Analyzing Financial Statements; Investment Decisions and Credit Management; and Financial Decision-Making through Business Simulations (BizLab). The keynote address was delivered by Mr. Dinesh D. Dasani, Sr. Vice President, Sales, JK Tyre & Industries Ltd. The overall program was successfully conducted by Prof. Ashwini Sharma and Prof. Lokanath Mishra from Institute of Management.



### Workshop on Defining Beauty: Time for a Makeover

**T**he Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking organised a session titled "Defining Beauty: Time for a Makeover" on October 11, 2023 at LRC, JK Lakshmipat University. The session was facilitated by Ms. Surabhi Sanghi, Master's at SOAS (School of Oriental and African Studies), University of London. The session was an engaging exploration of the evolving concept of beauty in contemporary society. The concise yet insightful presentation during the session delved into the dynamic nature of beauty standards, their historical underpinnings, and their far-reaching implications for individuals and society as a whole. Participants were engaged in a thought-provoking discussion that encouraged them to question their preconceived notions and embrace a more comprehensive and inclusive understanding of beauty in the modern world. About 65 students attended the event in person, while some students joined online on the JK Lakshmipat University pages on Facebook and Instagram.



### Traditional Day

**J**KLU marked Traditional Day on September 4, 2023, with a focus on celebrating cultural diversity. Although there were no formal events, the day saw a spirited participation from both students and faculty. Individuals showcased their cultural pride by wearing traditional attire, which transformed our campus into a vibrant showcase of diversity. Informal gatherings allowed for the sharing of cultural experiences, stories, and traditions, promoting a deeper understanding among our community members. Traditional Day served as a valuable reminder that our university's strength lies in its multicultural fabric. The day was a testament to the importance of embracing differences, learning from one another, and fostering unity.



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### Workshop on Rewriting Scripts - Rethinking "Tu Haan Kar Ya Naa Kar"

The Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking organized a workshop titled "Rewriting Scripts - Rethinking 'Tu Haan Kar Ya Naa Kar'" on October 13, 2023 at LRC, JK Lakshmipat University. The workshop was facilitated by Ms. Surabhi Sanghi, Master's at SOAS (School of Oriental and African Studies), University of London. The workshop was an insightful and thought-provoking event that delved into the complex area of consent, communication and respect within relationships. The workshop created a safe and open space for participants to engage in meaningful discussions and reflection on their own meaning of consent. Through group activities and facilitated conversations, participants were encouraged to rethink their perspectives and foster an environment of open communication, respect, and empathy. About 30 students attended the work in person, while some students joined online on the JK Lakshmipat University pages on Facebook and Instagram.



### Clips and Cuts – A Stop Motion Animation Workshop

On October 23, 2023 White Space organized a student-led workshop on stop-motion animation, where students used their imaginations and showcased their creative talents. The workshop helped the participants to create an animation based on the theme Halloween. This simple yet enjoyable theme aimed to encourage creativity and make the participants engage in their imagination to its full extent. The coordinators facilitated the discussions of the participants and directed their creativity in workable directions. In the end, two short animations based on the theme were produced as the outcome. The event was coordinated by Mustafa Manasawala, Kratika Advani, Kashish Mithwani and Sneha Kumari.



### DRAWBOT - Innovation Begins with a Stroke of Creativity

On October 4, 2023, the Applied Robotics Club, in collaboration with White Space, hosted the DRAWBOT competition, allowing university students to display their artistic talents. The Problem Statement was to draw a robot capable of efficiently navigating confined spaces during disaster response missions, such as collapsed buildings or tunnels. The theme aimed to encourage creativity and innovation while addressing a practical problem. The competition saw creative submissions, each of them presenting unique perspectives. Alind Agarwal, MDes student at JKLU, thoughtfully evaluated the submissions based on creativity, originality, and alignment with the problem statement. The winner of the DRAWBOT competition was Tanishka Nagal and the runner-up was Prateek Goswami. The event was coordinated by Shubham Jain and Nakul Ranka.



### Movie screening and quiz on Mahatma Gandhi

Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated in JKLU campus on October 2, 2023 and as a follow-up to the event, the Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking organized a movie screening and quiz on Mahatma Gandhi, on October 3, 2023. The



objective was to familiarize students with the ideas of one of the 20th century's most influential leaders, and to understand his life and work, which remains relevant to this day. Participants were first shown a part of the movie 'A Force More Powerful', highlighting Gandhi ji's contribution to India and the world. This was followed by an engaging quiz competition, where five teams battled it out in the finals by showcasing their familiarity with, and understanding of, the Mahatma's life and ideals. The three rounds of the quiz, titled Ahimsa, Satyagraha, and Swaraj, also tested the decision-making skills of the participants, and how they would respond under pressure. All the teams performed very well, making for an entertaining event. The first prize was won by the team of Shashank Sharma (MDes 1st year) and Riddhi Khandelwal (BTech 1st year), while the second prize was won by the team of Siddharth Ranka (B.Tech. 1st year) and Shubham Jain (B.Tech. 1st year).

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### Joy of Giving

**//** Joy of Giving" was a donation drive, organized by the Community Development Club of JKLU, on October 3 to 6, 2023 to provide assistance to children living in orphanages – in this case, Aashray Care Home. The goal was not only to donate essential items but also to understand their needs and problems better, fostering a sense of empathy and community among our members. Stationery, food items, clothes and accessories were distributed to the inmates. 8 student members from the CDC Club participated in this initiative.

### World Mental Health Day



**T**he initiative of celebrating "World Mental Health Day" was organized in form of a 2-day event in collaboration with Mindery (Mental Health & Wellbeing Services) on October 9 and 10, 2023. Events related to Art, Music, Drama with Wellness were organized by the Office of Student Affairs and 13 student Wellness Volunteers. The first session was on Effective Communication with Tripti Chaturvedi at IM Amphitheatre, in which attendees learned about the significance of communication skills in promoting mental well-being. There was also a Poster Making Competition at IM Amphitheatre with the theme "Mental Health is a Universal Right". Participants displayed their creativity by crafting fascinating posters, sending a powerful message about mental health awareness. Priyani (BDes 1st yr), Kavisha (BBA 2nd yr), Jia (BBA 2nd yr) and Avish (BDes 1st yr) received awards for their posters while every participant received a certificate.

people, started at 1 AM. It provided a unique and memorable experience for all attendees, fostering a deeper appreciation for the natural world and the cosmos.

### Talk with Anish Ji - The Four Purushartha (Dharma, Arth, Kama and Moksha)

**A** motivational talk by spiritual leader Shri Anish Ji was organized at IET Smart Classroom on October 20, 2023. His vision is to showcase India's real "Brand Identity", by connecting ancient India's deep tradition of wisdom with the new system of living and experiencing life and new ways of fulfilling aspirations. He maintains that all values must be rooted in the highest dharmic wisdom envisioned by seers and sages of the past. For him, this is possible with the finest minds, greatest hearts, and purest intentions to create an enlightened future with an awakened present. His 'Vision for New Humanity' is that we can be mass transformed through collective consciousness. Anish Ji during his interaction with both the teaching and non-teaching staff emphasized the consciousness in education, defining it in the context of "Enlightenment". He introduced the concept of "integrated healing" that reverses them without the intervention from Purushartha. Throughout his talk, he highlighted the significance and power of teaching through the wisdom of Dharma. Anish Ji showcased how in the technologically driven society, teachers have to make an effort to develop a "human connection" with the students for sustainable and disciplined teaching credibility and legitimacy. Moreover, he motivated the teacher to be a great learner, as only a great learner can be a great teacher and emphasized all the teachers to learn beyond their subject matter. He ended his argument by anticipating an evolutionary wrap based on time and space within the ambit of dharmic wisdom.

### Lunar Eclipse Viewing Night Event



**T**he Lunar Eclipse Observation Event, organized by JKLU's Nakshatra Club, was held on October 29, 2023. The event, which was attended by 16



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### SABRANG – Annual Cultural Fest

**J**K Lakshmi pat University in Jaipur, India, recently concluded its 12th annual cultural fest, "JK Tyre – SABRANG" from October 27 – 29, 2023. With over 1000 student participants from various colleges across India, the event showcased more than 30 diverse activities under the theme "METAMORPHOSIS," symbolizing concepts of transition and diversity. The fest began on October 27 with Ms Arpita Narbanya, winner of the Miss Pink City title, an international Bharatnatyam performer and a talented theatre artist, as the Chief Guest. The fest featured engaging competitions like Mindscape, Algorithm 22.1, Color and Contour, RoboZuna, and The Dance Battle, culminating in a dynamic DJ night by Rajasthan Hip-Hop Cypher. Day two included events such as Seal the Deal, Singing Plooz, Courtroom, Shutter Island, Make-A-Meme, RC Car Race, Band Jam, and Panache, with DJ TrapperX's electrifying performance as the highlight. The third day continued with sports, brainstorming and dance events, concluding with a valedictory ceremony graced by Ms. Anshu Harsh, a notable figure in poetry, authorship, media entrepreneurship, and activism who awarded winners from flagship events, followed by a memorable performance by pop star Zaeden. The fest celebrated student talent, creativity, and teamwork, offering a platform for diverse competitions ranging from trading challenges to singing contests and fashion displays. It brought together students, faculty, and guests in a vibrant atmosphere.



### POSH: Awareness Workshop

**P**OSH Committee of JKLU organized "Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) - Awareness Workshop Series 2023" for students, faculty and staff. This series have two workshops where Workshop 1 (POSH : Role at Workplace) took place on October 6, 2023 at IM Amphitheatre. Dr. Daisy Sharma, Asst. Professor of Public Administration and Member of POSH Committee at University of Rajasthan, Jaipur was the workshop facilitator. Dr. Daisy held a very interactive workshop where she explained the basic concepts through: PPT, important videos & ad-films and role-play activities with some participants. 33 participants including students, faculty and non-teaching staff attended the workshop which covered basic introduction of concepts like Sexual Harassment and Workplace, who are covered under it and what the main provisions are.



### Python Quiz

**C**ompetitive Programming Club (Code Hub) in partnership with the Quiz Club (The Inquisitors) organized a Quiz event on October 11, 2023 which garnered impressive participation from over 90 students, encompassing both online and offline modes. It was designed to cater to students with diverse academic interests and problem-solving abilities. In addition to the competitive aspect, the event served as an excellent platform for students to learn and network with their peers who share a passion for competitive programming and quizzing. Maulik Sharma, Shubham Jain and Anwesha Mondal walked away with the prizes.



### Business Model Pitch Competition

**T**o celebrate the spirit of innovation, AIC- JKLU organised the Business Model Pitch Competition on the theme 'Sustainability' on October 27, 2023 for school students from 9th to 12th grades at JK Lakshmi pat University, Jaipur. The competition aims to foster entrepreneurial thinking and creativity among students. 20 Participating teams pitched their innovative business ideas within a three-minute timeframe each. Registrations were received from Cambridge Court High School, Banyan Tree School and SRN International School. Student presented their ideas on eco-safe fabric, upcycling studio, plastic décor, green architecture, plastic bricks, safety push and etc. The jury panel consisted of Prof. Amit Sinhal, Prof. Devika Kataria and Mr. Paritosh Prasad. The participants visited AIC-JKLU and JKLU students' start-up exhibition and interacted with many student start-ups. Sakshya Jhurani and Rajveer from Banyan Tree School and Manas Khandelwal and Bhavya Agarwal from Cambridge Court High School, emerged joint winners.



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### Understanding Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Institution's Innovation Council and Business Finance Club (Corpova) of JKLU organized an event on October 16, 2023 on Understanding Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Dr. Ashok Mittal from IIT Delhi was the Guest speaker for the event, which was coordinated by Dr Amit Sinhal and students Anant Narayan Pandey, Parasmeeet Kour, Himangi Chaturvedi, Yuvraj Soni and Dev Gautam. 7 faculty and 40 students participated at the event.



### Visit of Students from Lakshmipat Singhania School, Kankroli & Tagore Public School, Jaipur

Students from Lakshmipat Singhania School from Kankroli & Tagore Public School, Jaipur visited JKLU and AIC-JKLU. The students had some fun activities, visited AIC and took part in a workshop for them on entrepreneurship. They also went around the campus and saw the display of things that our Design students have created.



### HR Capability Development Programme

JKLU partnered with Deloitte to curate and deliver a HR Capability Development programme for the HR leadership across JKO during the first week of November 2023. HR leaders from JKO corporate office, JK Tyre, JK Paper, JK Lakshmi Cement, Umang Dairy and others attended the programme. JKLU Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi, inaugurated the program and briefed the dignitaries a brief about JKLU's vision, academic programmes, facilities, student diversity and student activities. At the end of the programme, Mr. Shounak Biswas gave an overview of the Placement track record at JKLU and offered its students for various potential placement and internship opportunities across JK Organization's group companies.



### Visit of Birla International School

On November 5, 2023 a group of 190 students from Birla International School Sojat City visited JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, as part of an educational tour. The visit aimed to provide the students with exposure to various departments within the university and enhance their understanding of academic and extracurricular activities. They met the Vice Chancellor and Directors of IET, IM and IoD and got to know about the university's vision, academic programs, and future developments. The students had lunch at the campus mess facility, where they had an opportunity for informal interaction among JKLU students and faculty. To enhance the tour experience, current university students volunteered to guide the Birla International School students through the campus. These volunteers, coordinated by the University Admission Cell department, shared their experiences and provided valuable insights into university life.



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### Visit of Surendra Public School

On November 21, 2023 JK Lakshmipat University welcomed a delegation of 90 students from Surendra Public School for an enriching educational visit having an insightful activity planned with the community weave department at the university. The visit commenced with an Experiential Workshop conducted by the Community Weave department. This session aimed to introduce the students to the university's community engagement initiatives, fostering a sense of social responsibility among the visitors. Thereafter they visited IoD, IET, LRC and CCCT departments and got a glimpse of the practical aspects of the academic curriculum and the emphasis on developing practical skills. This was followed by a high tea session, allowing for informal interactions and discussions. The visit culminated with a group photograph taken at the iconic LRC stairs.



### Software Development Talk

IET, JKLU had the privilege of hosting two extraordinary speakers. Dr. Felix Heidrich, the Managing Director of Tulip Germany and a former Apple software engineer, inspired our third year students to embark on a career in software development. He shared his valuable insights on working at Apple and compared it to the exhilarating journey of a thriving startup like Tulip. Anaïs Luisa Habermann, an Aerospace Engineer at Bauhaus Luftfahrt, delved into the myriad applications of her field and provided valuable guidance on university admissions in Germany. The talks left our students both motivated and well-informed, igniting their passion for exciting career paths ahead. The session was organized by Dr. Rajlakshmi of IET.



### Nano Narrative - Short Story competition

'NanoNarrative', a short Story Writing Competition was organized on November 22, 2023 to celebrate storytelling, creativity, and the diverse voices that make up the literary landscape. The event served as a platform for writers to connect,



share experiences, and build a supportive community. Writers were given the freedom to choose their theme. From fantasy realms to real-life narratives, participants explored themes that captivated the one's imagination and emotions. Judges for the event were Dr. Sangbida Lahiri and Dr. Saurabh Singanapalli. Anannay Namdeo was declared the winner while Shivangi Pandey and Kanishk Jain were declared the 1st and 2nd runner-up respectively.

### Climate Change and its impact on Human Health

The Centre for Communication and Critical Thinking arranged a special lecture session by Prof. Goutam Sadhu of IIHMR University, Jaipur on Climate Change and its impact on Human Health. The speaker talked about how climate change in these days is becoming a genuine cause of extinction of many species. He said that World Health Organization have measured that climate can causes five major health impact on humans. It can cause malnutrition as it can create drought and flood, can bring disaster to harvesting months. It can cause accidental deaths during storms or floods. It can bring water scarcity which can bring vector borne diseases cholera. Heatwaves due to it now causing morbidity factors to human health, heat strokes, porous ozone layers and virulent diseases like malaria and dengue etc. It is also affecting human psychology, disturbing mental health of many people. Therefore, apart from deaths or accidental situation this issue is also affecting the society at large. If we are not aware from now, we must face serious consequences in near future.



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### Awareness Workshop on Menstrual Health

An Awareness Workshop on Menstrual Health was organized on November 1, 2023. It was a collaborative effort between Saukhyam Reusable Pads and the Udgam Club of JKLU. The speaker for the Workshop - Ms. Divya Rai (Director-Outreach Programs, Saukhyam Reusable Pads) spoke about initiative by Mata Amritanandamayi Math, dedicated to offer safe and sustainable menstrual products, promoting women's well-being and environmental conservation. This workshop was conducted to provide valuable insights into menstrual health, hygiene, and sustainability and was attended by 40 people.



### Awareness Workshop on Abnormal Periods and PCOD

An Awareness Workshop on Abnormal Periods and PCOD, was conducted on November 6, 2023. It was a collaborative effort between Coccon Hospital and the Udgam Club of JKLU. The speaker for the Workshop - Dr. Pankhuri Gautam Pathak (Gynae Laparoscopic Surgeon, Coccon Hospital) spoke about the irregularities of periods and Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOD) which is affecting the lives of countless individuals. This workshop was conducted to advise preventive measures that should be taken care for a healthy life of an individual. As in the workshop Dr. Pankhuri spoke about the problems which should be taken care of during a menstrual cycle and about the periods after menopause, as it leads to a pre-stage cancer.



### University Delegation at Varchas'23 National Sports Fest, IIT Jodhpur

From November 2 to 6, 2023, 17 enthusiastic students from JKLU showcased their exemplary sportsmanship at Varchas'23, the prestigious national sports fest hosted by IIT Jodhpur. The event brought together teams from diverse backgrounds, providing a



platform for healthy competition and camaraderie. Our university's delegation actively participated in three major tournaments: cricket, badminton, and chess, displaying exceptional skills and sportsmanship. What set our university's team apart was not just their technical prowess, but also their strong team bonding and spirit.

Despite the challenges faced, the students supported each other, fostering a sense of unity that resonated throughout the tournament. Their remarkable performance in all three sports highlighted their dedication and passion for sports, earning the respect of fellow participants and spectators alike. Varchas'23 not only provided a platform for showcasing talent but also offered a valuable learning experience, encouraging our students to push their boundaries and excel in the face of competition. The participants returned with invaluable experiences and cherished memories, fostering a sense of pride and accomplishment within our institution.

### Practice Cricket Matches Against IDBI Bank and Mahapura Lions

In a riveting display of cricketing prowess at the JKLU Cricket Ground, Team JKLU emerged victorious in closely contested practice matches against IDBI Bank and Mahapura Lions on November 25 and 26, 2023 respectively. The practice matches not only served as a platform for honing skills and tactics but also highlighted the competitive spirit and sportsmanship of all teams and boosted the morale and confidence of team JKLU.



## PANORAMA OF EVENTS

### Faculty Interaction with Dr. Prashant Mishra Professor – IIM Calcutta



An open interactive session with Dr. Prashant Mishra was conducted on 6th of November 2023. Dr Prashant Mishra's professional journey includes his role as an educator, researcher, trainer, consultant, and institution builder in the finest Public and Private Educational Institutions in India. At IIM Calcutta, besides his role as a Professor of Marketing (since

June 2004), he served as Dean (New Initiatives and External Relations) during 2018-21, leading IIM Calcutta's Executive Education Portfolio, International Outreach and collaborations, including Student Exchange and CEMS Programme, Alumni Relations and Development Initiatives, Media, Rankings, Archiving, and several Student Affairs activities.

### National Mathematics Day

National Mathematics Day was celebrated on December 21, 2023 by Mathematics faculty at JKLU by organizing a Round Table Discussion on "Innovations in Mathematical Education". The Round Table Discussion aimed to foster a collaborative environment where educators could share innovative approaches and strategies to enhance the teaching and learning of mathematics. With this aim mathematics teachers teaching at various levels were invited to participate, share and contribute. As we celebrate National Mathematics Day on the birth anniversary of the great mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan, the program started with his brief introduction by Dr Jaya Gupta, Associate Professor in Mathematics and Coordinator – Department of Science and Liberal Arts at IET, JKLU. Dr Dheeraj Sanghi, VC, JKLU welcomed all the invitees and participants. The session was chaired by Shri Sunil Bajaj, Director and former head of the Mathematics department at SCERT, Haryana, who shared his profound insights. He shared some of his recent researches and innovative practices in mathematics teaching like Harbans Puzzle, fixed mind set and growth mind set etc. All participants shared their innovative practices, challenges and experiences. Dr Manushi Gupta, Asst. Professor in Mathematics proposed the vote of thanks. The event was coordinated by Dr Umesh Gupta, Dr Jaya Gupta, Dr Manushi Gupta and Dr Rabia Kamra.



### Session on Common Admission Test (CAT)

Institute of Management hosted a session on the Common Admission Test (CAT) in collaboration with Allen Coaching. Students preparing or wishing to go for an MBA got an opportunity and get quick information and tips to prepare for CAT examination. The Programme was co-ordinated by Dr. Riya Sureka.



### JKO Leadership Development Program

JK Lakshmipat University organized a workshop on Leadership Development through Business Simulation on December 14-15, 2023. The program included 21 participants from all across JK Organization. Sessions were conducted by Prof. Subhash Chand Tyagi and Shri Chandrashekhar Rastogi, All India Management Association. The keynote address was delivered by Shri Nagaraju Srirama, President and Director, JK Fenner (India) Ltd. The overall program was successfully conducted by Shri SR Pandey and Admin team of JKLU.



### New Year Eve Celebration at JKLU

Residents of JK Lakshmipat University organized program for New Year Eve in the presence of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi along with faculty and staff and their family members. All gathered near One-BHK lawn on December 31, 2023 at 10:30 pm for welcoming the New Year 2024 and bid farewell to 2023. All the members sat around the bonfire in a circle. Music was on its peak and everyone enjoyed the warmth of the bonfire. The celebration concluded with singing and dancing and was followed by high-tea. At sharp 12 midnight, everyone welcomed 2024. The program was coordinated by Mr. Prasanta Swarnakar.

## AIC-JKLU INITIATIVES

**Launch of JK Paper Innovation Program :** On July 24, 2023 AIC-JKLU, along with JK Paper, launched the new accelerator program in the field of sustainability. "Sustainable Biomaterial-based Solutions – Accelerator Program" presented a unique opportunity for global startups to participate and become part of an exceptional cohort that aims to redefine the future. With this program, we invited startups to address two crucial problem statements and create sustainable solutions that have the potential to revolutionize industries.

- **Problem Statement 1:** Lignocellulosic biomass-based value-added product/solutions as a replacement for fossil-derived materials for application in (but not limited to) industries such as healthcare, pharma, textile, biomaterials, packaging, energy, etc. with raw material available in India.
- **Problem Statement 2:** Value-added bio-based products from existing Pulp and Paper manufacturing sites (using hardwood and Kraft pulping process) leveraging input, side and/or waste streams.

**Partnered in TiE Smash-Up:-** AIC-JKLU partnered with TiE Rajasthan as an eco-system partner on July 12, 2023 for the upcoming event of TiE Smash-Up in which multiple startups used to register and present their idea in front of a pool of investors

### In Pipeline

- Launch of Student Chapter in JKLU
- Start-up India seed fund second tranche fund disbursal.

**Launch of Student Chapter in JKLU:** AIC is in talks with IIC to make it a stream of student chapter and AIC has launched their first initiative under this, called प्रौद्योगिक.

**Launch of प्रौद्योगिक :** The fest transcends traditional boundaries by fostering connections between aspiring minds and industry stalwarts, creating a vibrant community of forward-thinkers. Anticipating a convergence of over 500+ participants nationwide, alongside 50 esteemed faculty and staff members, the event spotlights the Engineering discipline, serving as a platform to not only exhibit skills but also to elevate institutions and expand their influence. From riveting workshops to insightful seminars and enthralling exhibitions, "प्रौद्योगिक" promises an unforgettable two-day journey, accentuated by a multitude of events ranging from competitive coding and robotics challenges to astronomy showcases. This fest is a ticket to unleashing innovation, forging connections, and leaving an indelible mark on the ever-evolving landscape of technology.

**AIC-JKLU Selected for the National Incubator Capacity Development Program:** The National Incubator Capacity Building Program is launched to help build quality incubators across the country with an emphasis towards Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities and encourage cross-learning from larger cities and lighthouse incubators to address the needs of start-ups building for Bharat. The training program with industry veterans and experts will provide valuable insights and expertise that will be instrumental in shaping the dynamic cohort of 25 incubators, empowering them with the necessary support and mentorship to create an enabling ecosystem for entrepreneurs to flourish.

**प्रौद्योगिक (September 30 – October 1, 2023) :** AIC-JKLU's inaugural edition of 'प्रौद्योगिक' hosted at JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur

was an extraordinary showcase of technical brilliance. With 250+ participants, both physically and virtually, we witnessed an incredible fusion of talent and expertise. From coding to robotics, electronics to astronomy, e-sports, and more, 'प्रौद्योगिक' had it all. Our events included Code Verse, BlindCoding, Fall Guys, Robo Race, Robo Maze, Fake Off, and an enthralling Astrophotography Competition! For the stargazers among us, we offered the Astronomical Observatory and an enlightening Astronomy Seminar. We were honoured to have exceptional speakers like Paras Sharma an ISRO's Registered Space Tutor, who inspired us to reach for the stars!

**Startup – September'23 by HeadStart :** AIC-JKLU was a part of Headstart's event in Jaipur on September 14, 2023. Its CEO - Nidhi Kachhawa, featured speaker of the day, shared valuable insights on startups, incubation, and investing.

**TiE Smash Up 2023 by TiE Rajasthan:** Our presence at TiE Smash Up 2023 in Jaipur was a transformative experience. As ecosystem partners, we connected with startups, investors, and mentors, gaining valuable insights into market trends and challenges. Active participation in discussions and workshops established us as thought leaders, while generating significant leads from startups interested in our services demonstrated strong growth potential. We now look forward to leveraging these connections and insights to fuel future collaborations, tailored support, and continued thought leadership within the Indian startup ecosystem, reinforcing our commitment to fostering innovation and entrepreneurship.

**Lakshmipat Singhania School Visit:** We recently hosted students from Lakshmipat Singhania School at AIC JKLU, fostering innovation and inspiring the next generation. It was a day of exploration, learning, and endless possibilities, as we collectively contribute to shaping a brighter future.

**Marwari Catalysts Visit:** We visited Marwari Catalysts, we discussed their upcoming "Startup Xchange," set to be Rajasthan's premier startup event, hosted by India's fastest-growing startup accelerator. Our meeting also explored potential collaboration opportunities to boost participation and funding for JK Paper's CIP. We anticipate further developments in this regard.

**Parul University Visit:** We conducted a visit to Parul University's incubation centre in Gujarat, with the aim of seeking collaboration opportunities and securing a slot in their forthcoming events for our JK Paper CIP and more initiatives. We look forward to advancing these prospects in the future.

**5 Must-Watch Energy and CleanTech Startups from Around the Globe:** One of AIC-JKLU's stellar incubates, Maini Renewables Pvt Ltd, has been featured in the prestigious "5 Must-Watch Energy and CleanTech Startups from Around the Globe" list!

**Launch of Student Innovation Program :** A virtual orientation session via Zoom on November 7, 2023, brought together all the essential players - student teams, mentors, and the AIC-JKLU team. We now have 11 dynamic student teams embarking on this exciting journey.

**Recognition from Google and SheThePeople:** Ankur Lohani Kumar, founder of AIC JKLU's invested startup Findyourfit, was recognized by Google and SheThePeople for transforming wellness through sports and fitness! In a recent SheThePeople interview, she passionately discussed reshaping wellness attitudes, emphasizing connected care's importance, and spearheading a community-driven fitness movement with FindYourFit.

## AIC-JKLU INITIATIVES

**Young Woman Engineer:** Swati Maini, the founder of Maini Renewables, has been honoured with the prestigious "Young Woman Engineer" award at the IET India Awards 2023.

**Birla International School Visit :** Students from Birla International School set out on an enlightening expedition of creativity and discovery during their insightful visit to the Atal Incubation Centre at JK Lakshmipat University

**Shri Suresh Narayanan Visit :** Shri Suresh Narayanan, the esteemed Chairman and Managing Director of Nestlé India Limited, graced AIC-JKLU as the chief guest during the eleventh Convocation and Founder's Day of JK Lakshmipat University on November 23, 2023

**Startup Exchange:** AIC-JKLU, a key Ecosystem Partner, was at the two-day Startup Exchange event by Marwari Catalysts, India's fastest-growing startup accelerator. Our incubatee, BELIVEINN TECH PVT. LTD, drew a large crowd.

**National Incubator Capacity Development Program Bootcamp :** Reflecting on our journey through the National Incubator Capacity Development Program, we recently participated in the insightful Physical Bootcamp.

**Vibrant Gujarat Roadshow:** Participated in the Jaipur road show for the Tenth Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit 2024 on December 12, 2023, aligning with PM Narendra Modi's vision for Aatmanirbhar Bharat. Explored diverse opportunities, fostering connections with numerous individuals.

**RISE by JECRC UNIVERSITY:** AIC JKLU's team immersed themselves in the vibrant atmosphere of the Rajasthan Startup Awards hosted at JECRC University on December 1, 2023. The exhibition consisted of remarkable startups shaping Rajasthan's business landscape, highlighting the dynamic entrepreneurial spirit of the region. Our team got the opportunity to meet Mr. Ashneer Grover, Founder of BharatPe.

**Sustain-O-Preneurship 2.0:** AIC, as an esteemed Ecosystem Partner, joined Sustain-O-Preneurship 2.0 organised by Dr. B. Lal Institute of Biotechnology with EYUVA and the University of Rajasthan. The December 16, 2023, event inspired and empowered budding entrepreneurs in the school and college ecosystem.

**November 27 – December 2, 2023, Week 4 SIP Mentoring:** Unlocking potential through mentoring sessions in student innovation program at AIC JKLU. From doubt-solving to groundbreaking ideas, our mentors are shaping the future innovators of tomorrow.

**December 19-21, SIP 6.0 Bootcamp:** Welcomed bright minds from 9 teams from 5 different states of India, coming together for sessions on journey so far, ice-breaking, SWOT analysis, design thinking, prototyping, and budgeting. The accompanying ATL incharges and mentors had a meeting with our Director, Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi.

**Meeting of the Board of Directors** of AIC-JKLU FOUNDATION was held on December 22, 2023.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Five of our BTech Final year students have been selected to spend their 7th semester outside. They are :

- Jaya Sodhani – IIT Kanpur
- Omprakash Kumawat – IIT Kanpur
- Chirag Saraswat – Hanyang University Seoul
- Shruti Jain – AUAS Hoge School van Amsterdam
- Manan Sharma – AUAS Hoge School van Amsterdam

Sakshi Kashyap, IV year BTech CSE student got an offer of ₹ 22.5 Lakh per annum from Safe Security.

Aditya Shukla IV year BTech CSE student, got an offer of ₹ 17 Lakh per annum from Electron Labs.

2 students Diya Garg and Khushi Agarwal qualified for Round 2 of Essay writing competition under Rajasthan Mission 2030 Campaign.

Monthly results of the CodeChef contest has been announced and the winners are as per the following:

- Beginner division: 1st - Shubham Jain (Batch 2023); 2nd - Maulik Sharma (Batch 2023); 3rd - Suryaansh Sharma (Batch 2023)
- Intermediate division: 1st - Vibhor Saxena (Batch 2022); 2nd - Aman Bharti (Batch 2022); 3rd - Shreyansh Goyal (Batch 2022)

At the Muqabla Badminton 2023 event, Sukriit (BDes Interdisciplinary Design, Semester 5) secured Gold in the Men's Singles, Mixed Doubles, and Men's Doubles categories.

Vaibhav Sharma, a student in the BDes Interdisciplinary Design program (Semester VII), is working on the System Design Project with Dhun Life Pvt Ltd.

CDTI Jaipur invited us for a Social Outreach Programme on the theme of "Cyber Crime and Ensuring Cyber Hygiene" for students on November 11, 2023. Our students Trisha Roy and Varun Parmar have secured the First and the Second rank respectively.

The final year, 7th Semester students did their System Design Project for Delhi Metro, focusing on analyzing systemic complexities, mapping opportunities for design intervention and providing holistic solutions. Ms. Manisha Singh, Chief Architect, Delhi Metro was part of the Jury for the 7th Semester System Design

Himangi Puri, a final-year student, has been selected for her Graduation Project at Carlton University, Canada. She will be the first student to do a Graduation project in a foreign country. She will be sponsored for her travel, study and material.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Angel Jain (Product Design) & Reefah Alvi (Interaction Design) of Semester 5 have done their Design Project with Delhi Metro.

05 JKLU students have been offered admission at IIT Gandhinagar under semester exchange program on December 23, 2023.

03 students have applied at IIT Kanpur under semester exchange program.

03 students have applied at IIT Jodhpur under semester exchange program.

Raj Burad, 2020-24 BTech ECE student has been invited as Short-Term Visiting Researcher to Carleton University, Canada for project "Innovation, Design, and Development of a Novel Snoring and Obstructive Sleep Apnea Prevention Device" funded by Mitacs Globalink Research Award on December 20, 2023.

Anay Sinhal, 2021-25 BTech CSE student, has got research internship at IIT Jammu, under Professor Subhasis Bhattacharjee, starting on December 16, 2023, spanning 4 weeks, focusing on Machine Learning.

## FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Vijayalakshmi from CCCT attended Faculty Development Programme on 'Evaluation and Accreditation of NAAC' by Research Foundation of India from July 21 to 27, 2023.

Mr. Anirudh Biswas of the Institute of Design has been selected for the Red Dot Award for 2023 for his project in the category of Interaction Design UI/UX. It is one of the most prestigious awards in Design in the world.

Dr Amit Sinhal (IET) was recognized for the Best Idea in the Innovation, Design and Entrepreneurship (IDE) BootCamp 2023, organized by IISER, Bhopal.

The board of LNMIIT has recently decided to setup a "Dheeraj Sanghi Faculty Excellence Award" in recognition of Vice Chancellor, Dr Dheeraj Sanghi's contribution to the Institute as its Director from 2008 to 2010.

Dr. Kshitiz Verma has been invited to the Advisory Board for a project on "EU AI Act and AI applications" at the University of Cambridge.

Dr. Pushpendra Singh was honored for excellence in Innovation by ITSr and Institution of Engineers (India), Rajasthan State Centre Jaipur in the ITSr Foundation Award 2023 at IEI Rajasthan State Centre, Jaipur on September 24, 2023.

Dr. Pushpendra Singh was honored for excellence in Education by Simply Jaipur in the 12th Principals and Teachers Award 2023 at on September 2, 2023.

Dr. Richa Sharma was awarded for the "Best Researcher Award", by "Institute of Technical and Scientific Research" and "The Institution of Engineers", at Jaipur during September 24, 2023.

Dr. Jaya Gupta had received "Excellence in Education award" by ITSr and IE, Rajasthan state center, Jaipur on September 24, 2023.

Dr. Jaya Gupta delivered an invited talk on "Interdisciplinary: Need of the future" at the institute of Engineers, Rajasthan state

Centre, Jaipur on the occasion of ITSr foundation awards-2023, IE, Jaipur, September 24, 2023.

Ms. Aastha Gohil was invited by NID Ahmedabad to teach a Film Course

Dr. Ashwini Sharma, Acting Director and Dr. Lokanath Mishra, Associate Professor, Institute of Management: First Training Programme on "Capacity Building Training Workshop: Finance for Non-Finance" was conducted on September 11, 2023 at JK Lakshmipat University. The Training Program included 22 participants from JK Tyre Industries Ltd. A Second Training Programme on "Capacity Building Training Workshop: Finance for Non-Finance" was conducted on October 6, 2023 at JK Lakshmipat University. The Training Program included 29 participants from JK Tyre Industries Ltd.

Several of our faculty members of Institute of Design were invited to renowned institutes/Universities as guest faculty members including Mr. Binil Mohan at Anant National University, Mr. Pritam Singh at Avantika University, Ms. Aastha Gohil at NID, Ahmedabad, and Raj Menon at IIT, Jodhpur.

ID Faculty members went to various conferences and symposia that included UX Light House, Pune, TiE, Jaipur, and Sales Force Design Days.

On December 5, 2023, Dr. Kshitiz Verma, was invited to deliver online a two-hour doctoral lecture at Carlo Cattaneo University - LIUC in Castellanza, Italy. The lecture was titled 'Understanding the Impact of LLMs like ChatGPT on Creating Future Employments and Businesses'.

Dr. Amit Sinhal attended the 5-days FDP on "Integration of IoT and Blockchain to Implement Smart Education, Healthcare, and Communication System" at Manipal University, Jaipur during December 11-16, 2023.

Dr. Renu Jain and Dr. Deepika Prakash attended a Management Meet of Team Infosys Springboard held on Monday, 27th of November at Infosys Jaipur Development Center.

## NETWORKING / REPUTATION BUILDING

Dr Dheeraj Sanghi participated in the 2nd FICCI Higher Education Committee meeting on July 14, 2023 at FICCI Federation House, New Delhi.

Dr Dheeraj Sanghi was speaker in the 10th Lecture in the Series 'Vision for Institutions' on "Student-Centric Innovations at JK Lakshmipat University" on July 22, 2023, organized by Society for Promotion of Science & Technology in India (SPSTI) in association with Chandigarh Chapter of National Academy of Sciences India (NASI), Chandigarh Chapter of INSA & INYAS.

Dr Vipin Jain was Resource Person in one-week National Faculty Development Programme on 'Basic Skills in Experimental Physics' at Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi (DU), Delhi on July 20-21, 2023.

Dr Dheeraj Sanghi conducted an online webinar on the topic "Why Multi-Disciplinary Curriculum is Important from Career Perspective, organized by DreamCareer, on September 16, 2023.

Dr Dheeraj Sanghi was Key Speaker in the Exclusive Education Leaders Roundtable on 'Future of Recruitment and upskilling Employees adhering to industry needs' during the 3rd Education Leaders Conclave & Awards, organized at The Lalit Hotel, Jaipur, by ObserveNow Media Group & LinkedIn Talent Solutions, on September 27, 2023.

Ms Pallavee Sharma, Senior Executive - Wellness attended a Conclave on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry which is meant for children, adolescents, parents, teachers, mental health/ wellness professionals and others at SDMH (Santokba Durlabhji Memorial Hospital, Jaipur) on September 28, 2023.

Dr. Jaya Gupta delivered an invited talk on "Interdisciplinary: Need of the future" at the institute of Engineers, Rajasthan state Centre, Jaipur on the occasion of ITSIR foundation awards-2023, IE, Jaipur, September 24, 2023.

Ms Pallavee Sharma, Senior Executive - Wellness was invited as Guest Speaker in Panel Discussion on "Mental Health of Youth" by Shekhawati Sahitya Sangam 2023 (Regional Literature Fest of Rajasthan), Sikar on 28th Sep. 2023.

Session Discussant: 'Industry 4.0 and Development: Digitalization and Automatization, Productivity and Employment Implications, Gig Economy and Quality of Employment' on October 13, 2023, at the Globelics (Global Network for Economics of Learning, Innovation, and Competence Building Systems) International Conference at the Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation, Trivandrum, Kerala

Session Convenor: 'Violence and Women's Experiences' at the The International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES)-World Anthropological Union (WAU) Conference on 'Marginalities, Uncertainties, and World Anthropologies: Enlivening Past and Envisioning Future', October 16 (2023) at Delhi University, New Delhi

Session Convenor: 'Women and Violence' at the The International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES)-World Anthropological Union (WAU) Conference on 'Marginalities, Uncertainties, and World Anthropologies: Enlivening Past and Envisioning Future', October 16, 2023 at Delhi University, New Delhi.

Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi has been honoured with the College Dunia Excellence Awards 2023 for Lifetime Achievement.

Dr Dheeraj Sanghi was Speaker in the panel discussion on 'Universal Access to Education: Leaving No One Behind' during the Collegedunia Connect 3.0 organised at Taj Palace, New Delhi, on the 24th of November 2023.

Mr. Shounak Biswas, Asst Director – Development, was invited as a speaker in ICFAI Business School's HR Conclave 2023. He participated in the panel discussion "Retaining the 'Human' in Human Resources – Enhancing Employee Experience".

Dr Dheeraj Sanghi was Speaker in the panel discussion on 'Build your Profile for Dream Career' at the ACM Chapter Summit organised at Manipal University, Jaipur, on December 22, 2023.

Anirudha Biswas conducted a workshop on "color and empathy" at Colorbox Bapu Nagar on November 30, 2023.

Yash Raizada conducted a workshop on "Design Thinking" at Colorbox Vaishali Nagar on November 29, 2023.

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Presented Paper: 'Digital Public Infrastructure in India: Current Status and Way Forward' at the International Finance

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Presented Paper: 'Dynamics of Technology, ICT and Employment in India: Need for Industrial Policy in a Knowledge Driven Economy' on 14th October 2023, at the Globelics (Global Network for Economics of Learning, Innovation, and Competence Building Systems) International Conference at the Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation, Trivandrum, Kerala

Presented Paper: 'Impact of Covid on Mobility: The Case of Unorganized Migrant Workers from Bihar and Uttar Pradesh in Delhi and Mumbai' at the The International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES)- World Anthropological Union (WAU) Conference on 'Marginalities, Uncertainties, and World Anthropologies: Enlivening Past and Envisioning Future', 15th October 2023, at Delhi University, New Delhi

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## RECRUITMENTS

### Manasvi Chobdar

Manasvi Chobdar joined on July 10, 2023 as an Executive- Special Projects in VC Office. Ms. Manasvi has done her graduation from JK Lakshmipat University in the domain of Banking and Fintech. Recently she completed her internship with SAAS Entertainment in Artist Management. Manasvi is fond of dancing.



### Dr. Shweta Saharan

Dr. Shweta Saharan joined on July 17, 2023 as Assistant Professor – Institute of Engineering & Technology. She completed her BTech (Computer Science and Engineering) in year 2012 from Rajasthan Technical University Kota and completed her MTech (Computer Science and Engineering) in year 2015 from Central University of Rajasthan. She has completed her Ph.D. thesis from Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur in 2022. Dr. Shweta belongs to Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan. She is fond of reading books and gardening.



### Dr. Ajai Jain

Dr. Ajai Jain joined on August 10, 2023 as Professor Emeritus in Institute of Engineering and Technology. He completed his BSc (1974) from Kanpur University and BE (1978) from Roorkee University. He did his M Tech (1980) from IIT Delhi and PhD (1990) from McGill University, Canada. He has more than 36 Years of teaching and research experience. He has worked in organizations such as IIT Delhi, BITS Pilani, IIT Kanpur and NSUT Delhi. Dr. Ajai Jain chaired several technical sessions in various International and National Conferences like International Conferences on Asian Test Symposium, Computer Society of India, VLSI Design and Test etc. He served as President, IEEE UP Section for two years. He was Chairman, Senate, Undergraduate Committee; Chairman, Senate Post Graduate Committee; Chairman, Senate Rules Committee and Senate Parliamentarian at IIT Kanpur. Prof. Jain was also a Member, the Board of Governors of IIT Kanpur. He was Member of the Board of Studies for Computer Science and Engineering in several Engineering colleges and served on the Selection Committees for faculty recruitment at IITs, NITs and other Government Organizations.



### Dr. Surbhi Chhabra

Dr. Surbhi Chhabra joined on August 11, 2023 as an Assistant Professor – Institute of Engineering & Technology. Dr. Surbhi completed her BTech (Electronics and Communication Engineering) from Rajasthan Technical University (2014) and completed her MTech (Electronics and Communication Engineering) from LNMIIT (2016). She has completed her PhD thesis from LNMIIT with major in Hardware Security in 2022. Dr. Surbhi's areas of interest are Hardware Security for IoT Applications, Obfuscated Cryptosystem using Physical Unclonable Functions, Side Channel Attacks, Reverse Engineering and Digital System Design using SoC. Immediately preceding, Dr. Surbhi was Hardware Security Consultant with Data Security Council of India, Noida. She belongs to Bikaner and is currently living in Jaipur. She is fond of gardening, dancing, and listening to music.



### Dr. Sangbida Lahiri joined

Dr. Sangbida Lahiri joined on August 16, 2023 as Assistant Professor – Centre for Communications and Critical Thinking. Dr. Sangbida completed her BA (History) and her M.A. (South and Southeast Asian Studies) from the University of Calcutta (2008 and 2010 respectively). She completed her PhD from the University of Calcutta in 2023. Dr. Sangbida has more than 12 years of experience. She worked with ABP and TOI as a journalist and also with Government research projects such as the National Human Rights Commission and University of Glasgow as a researcher. Immediately preceding, Dr. Sangbida was associated with University of Calcutta as a Visiting Faculty. She belongs to Kolkata and will be living on campus. She is fond of gardening, listening to music and nature.



### Mr. Raj Gopal Menon

Mr. Raj Gopal Menon joined on August 29, 2023 as Professor – Institute of Design. Mr. Raj Gopal Menon completed his BTech (Mechanical Engineering) from Calicut University (1988) and his MDes (Industrial Design) from IIT Mumbai (1990). Mr. Menon has more than 35 years of experience and has worked with Kaynes Technology, RAL Consumer Products, Duron Energy Pvt. Ltd., Geneva Innovations International, Perfinet Health, Vital Bio Systems, Indez Designs, and IIT Bombay. Immediately preceding, he was a consultant and was involved in Medical Devices prototype production for last 2 years.



## RECRUITMENTS



### Mr. Devendra Singh Shekhawat

Mr. Devendra Singh Shekhawat joined on September 1, 2023 as Performance Marketing Manager– Admissions Department. He completed his B.Sc. in 2017 from ICAT Bangalore and MBA in 2019 from JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur. Mr. Shekhawat has more than 4 years of experience. He has worked with ZNET Technologies and Tecore labs Pvt. Ltd. He belongs to Jaipur and is fond of playing football, listening to music.

### Mr. Pritam Singh

Mr. Pritam Singh joined on October 3, 2023 as Assistant Professor – Institute of Design. For the past four years, he has been actively involved in teaching UI/UX design. He completed his bachelor's degree from National Institute of Fashion Technology in 2015, New Delhi and completed his master's degree in design from National Institute of Design in 2018, Gandhinagar. He has worked with Imagin XP, Deep loop, United world Institute of Design and Woxsen school of Art & Design. Immediately preceding, Mr. Pritam was a consultant and was involved in digital product Design for last 2 year. Mr. Pritam is also honored with awards like, Winner of creative excellence section (WOW) in 2016, New Zealand and Collection on Zero Waste | Liva Protégé in 2017. He is particularly interested in leveraging emerging technologies and human-centered design approaches to create intuitive and user-friendly interfaces. Mr. Pritam belongs to Jaipur, Rajasthan.



### Ms. Sheeba Allie

Ms. Sheeba Allie joined us on December 1, 2023 as Assistant Manager, Academics and Communications - Hari Shankar Singhania School of Business. She has completed her B.Sc. in Psychology and Post-Graduate Diploma in Psychology from Ashoka University. She has also done internship in communication with "Doctors without Borders" and as content creator with Youngistaan Foundation. Sheeba is a passionate individual, who enjoys entrepreneurship and innovating new ideas for betterment of the society. She is fond of reading. Sheeba belongs to Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir and will be living in the campus.



## UNIVERSITY NEWS

The University released its Honors List of meritorious students. 79 Students of the University with good academic conduct and a CGPA of 8.500 or above qualified, as of June 2023. They are featured in the list here.

Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET), JKLU was ranked 67th amongst "Best Engineering Colleges (Private)" in India, and Institute of Management, JKLU was ranked 75th among the "Best BBA Colleges of India", by INDIA TODAY in its July 3, 2023 special issue

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