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From the Editor's Desk

Dear Readers,

As the University returns back into action with new students joining and old ones returning to campus, NU NL team has been at work finding and compiling news and things of interest for their readers. With the vacations on, we could not find much news or contributions to be shared with our readers in July and hence we came up with this combined issue.

The campus witnessed varied activities, talks, visits and the commencement of WNS Business Analytics programme. Everything has been briefly covered in Campus news. All regular sections are there as well. Our B.Tech CSE student Uddalak Bhaduri has bagged an internship at WrappUp. Inc, Dubai. We congratulate him on his success. A separate section on TALF covers the talks given to students by eminent speakers during Resonance period.

I hope this issue is appreciated and enjoyed by all our readers. On behalf of The NU NL team, I wish all the readers a Happy Reading experience.

Best Regards,

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Campus News



Visit by China's Guizhou TV at NU



China's Guizhou TV visited India to conduct a cross border report on what makes India the Silicon Valley of Asia. They visited companies and institutions engaged in talent transformation and software development. During their visit to NU on June 21st, 2016, they had a detailed meeting with the Leadership Team of NU on different essential aspects like Placements, Research, Industry collaboration initiatives and Entrepreneurship Projects at NU.

Startup founded by B. Tech. Students selected for IBM's Global Entrepreneurship Program

Geo Enterprises Pvt. Ltd. a Startup founded by B. Tech. 2013-17 batch students was selected for IBM's Global Entrepreneurship Program.

The core team include:

- Rahul Kumar (CSE) as the CEO and Co-Founder
- Varshnee Raj (ECE) as the Managing Director and Co-Founder
- Alphonse Das Anthony (BT) as the COO and Chief Biological Engineer

They have proposed to build a molecular database for remote spectroscopy and plan to build a consumer analytics app which anonymously tracks scanned substances to reveal consumer trends and preferences.

NU WNS Programme



NIIT University has come with another leadership programme with one of the renowned names in Business Process Management, WNS Global Solutions. This programme is one of its kind and is the pioneer in the entire education system.

This, MBA in Business Analytics is one of the most niche and nonpareil programs that are being offered in the education industry of this country and world, along. Unlike the customary

management programs, Business Analytics requires the one to be highly specialized and it calls for skills and research that is otherwise quite arduous.

The programme offered by NIIT is a cutting edge initiative of industry-academia partnership, which has specially been created to meet industry requirements. We, at NIIT strive to be a collaboration of both, specialized domain of business analytics as well as adhere to the basic tenets of academic normative framework, thus is a reason, we are reckoned as The University of the Future.

TALF



Invited Talk by Harpal Singh, TALF

On the evening of July 22, 2016, all the fresher's of batch 2016-20 embarked on an hour long journey of self-discovery. Eminent TALF speaker, Mr. Harpal Singh guided all of them in this journey. He embarked upon on how the perspectives differ in various contexts. He traced the significance of perspective and encouraged all to be multi-perspective about whatever issue they come across.

He encouraged the gathering that to view a single issue via multiple perspectives, one needs to look at the issue from multiple lenses. These multiple lenses and perspective challenge the genius and the resultant thing is really holistic.

In the end, he gave them the advice to spend the years at NU intensively and asked all not to limit their learning within the four walls of the classroom. He also counseled all to do innovative things intensely, to be open minded and remain curious always.

Invited Talk by Anam Wilayat, TALF

This TALF Invited talk threw light on Social Media and was aimed at enabling the gathering to view it from a different perspective. The session was conducted by Ms. Anam Wilayat, a Digital Marketing Manager, a Social Media Executive and a Content Marketer.

Since TALF is all about taking a deep dive into your inner self, it was altogether an inspiring Q&A session where questions related to social experience infused enthusiasm among the B. Tech. batch of 2016-20. The talk mainly focused on how social media influences the general public and the revenues which they generate.

Referring to Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, she described that how people with great self-esteem, basic requirements fulfilled and having self-actualization find it confident to tell it out loud in Social Media about their positive attributes.

The concept of d-TALF was put forward and the students were encouraged to use the platform. Her speech also stressed upon the concept of togetherness. The talk ended with her advising on how to use d-TALF judiciously.

Invited Talk by Syeda Imam, TALF

This journey began with the description on 'How good is this part of our lives is and ways to enjoy it and explore ourselves'. She explained how TALF initiative is a bonus on global experience to us students apart from our academics.

She started off with a few activities involving the students to brainstorm and pen down their thoughts. This led everyone to ponder over the point of listening to their inner self and to others around carefully. She emphasized on how listening is connected with various other important things and we should listen twice the amount than what we speak.

The session culminated with her reciting a beautiful poem which was a conversation between a soldier and god. She thanked everyone in contributing to making the Aravali hills behind the NU campus greener than what it was earlier. Maj. Gen. A.K. Singh gave a vote of thanks to ma'am for her stimulating speech and encouraged everyone to listen effectively.

Nature Talk



Sumatran rhinoceros



The Sumatran rhinoceros (*Dicerorhinus sumatrensis*) is a member of the family Rhinocerotidae and one of five extant rhinoceroses. It is the only extant species of the genus *Dicerorhinus*. It is the smallest rhinoceros, although it is still a large mammal. Members of the species once inhabited rainforests, swamps, and cloud forests in India, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Laos, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, and China. The Sumatran rhino is a mostly solitary animal except for courtship and offspring-rearing. It is the most vocal rhino species and also communicates through marking soil with its feet, twisting saplings into patterns, and leaving excrement.

The Sumatran rhinoceros lives in both lowland and highland secondary rainforest, swamps, and cloud forests. It inhabits hilly areas close to water, particularly steep upper valleys with copious undergrowth. The Sumatran rhinoceros once inhabited a continuous range as far north as Burma, eastern India, and Bangladesh.

Most feeding occurs just before nightfall and in the morning. The Sumatran rhino is a browser, with a diet of young saplings, leaves, fruits, twigs, and shoots. The rhinos usually consume up to 50 kg (110 lb) of food a day. The rhino makes three distinct noises: eeps, whales, and whistle-blows. The eep, a short, one-second-long yelp, is the most common sound.

STATUS AND CONSERVATION

Sumatran rhinoceroses were once quite numerous throughout Southeast Asia. Fewer than 275 individuals are now estimated to remain. The species is classed as critically endangered, primarily due to illegal poaching.

**Divya Sara Kurian,
B. Tech. 2013-17**

Expressions



An Ode to Mother Nature

– The beauty defined!!

Get up folks, and quit your books,

feel the serenity and forget your looks.

This place is as calm as movement of clouds,

it has been a host to many thousands of crowds.

You must be busy, but, being here is a worth,

it's a place, where you shall realize the meaning of your birth.

Body, Mind & Soul, the existence of these,

here's composure and love, you would surrender to your knees.

Flying chirping birds and their patterned voice would remind you,

home coming, is the only process that is due!!

Observing a constant change in the sky's shade,

here, all your plights and quagmires shall fade.

From blue, to saffron, and finally to dark,

it tells the process of filling of a thwart.

Continue till the emerging of stars that shine,

they create an unending horizon of a line.

A line that corresponds to the milky way,
along the regions of our intellectual bay.

The fact, that you are a king of millions of living body cells,
love to life, love to all, love to nature; is what this place dwells.

It is a university of future, the one of its kind and stature,

ASTACHAL is the place, they call it, where Humans interacts with the Nature.

Ankit Biala

MBA-BA WNS (2016-18)

Let's Rise

In the end, you'll sleep

So wake up now, you can't take a leap.

There's a day ahead;

Night will pass overhead.

Work till sun sets, let go the dusk;

Snooze till dawn, commence with a new task

Job is peculiar, tedious and heftier,

but, why on earth did you ask for something easier?

Do your duty, responsibilities will come in handy;

Give your best in every field, make it priority.

Being good is better than the best,

Also being worse comes if you expect worst.

Life is cycle of problems where you have to –

Cross every hurdle, at least try to do

Belief is a guidance, and hope is a catalyst;
Make them your teacher, not antagonist.
It's never late, you can always start anew,
But once time is gone you can't rewind or renew.
Everything takes time to settle
It's not just to live a life, it's a battle.

Nandini Sinha

B. Tech. (2016-20)

Cubism



Nandini Sinha

B. Tech. (2016-20)



The interconnection of knowledge with grace, joy and beauty.

Photo Taken by: Dr. Mohd Anul Haq (Assistant Professor, GIS Area)

End of the Road-The Dusk of my School Life

I slept and dreamt that school life was my in-transient beauty-my school and I earmarked for each other, I a steward and my school, my native dream land. I woke up, only to realize that it was rather a fancy. I hurried and got ready and complete with my satchel, ran to laugh the last laugh of my school life. The school blocks, though all coated with radium green, rebuffed pale and frenzy to me as if I was having a trance. All I could do was to look, look and only look. Somehow, I managed crumbling steps and reached the first step. Panting, I bowed and kissed the ground and when and what rang the bell, I could not resonate with.

Amidst the great bustle and glimmering familiar faces, I lost my adrenaline and stooped, only to sit on what was to me a horseback, my bench, as if it was my destiny, even if I

averted it. What was said and done, I could not envision, but, the inert butterflies in my stomach panic-struck me as soon as the devil, the gong of the bell sounded its kiss with it. The semi-alive impulse could sense the obligatory and I was sent to astray, in a whisky. Out in the campus, my Revered Principal Sir hovered towards me as if he was a mundane God and lit the gloom in my eyes with his take on the Philosophy of Life. My teachers, my auriferous and gemmiferous jewels hugged me and I could enjoy the final bell no more. I could not realize my motion and commotion and whether my eyes threw away tears or dew drops, even I cannot tell.

And, it finally was the time to tell the world that I was a kid no more. My School, my lovely damsel, eroded from my periphery. I bottlenecked to my home, unstimulated. Alas! The drowning Sun scarred my daily compulsion-my capricious School days. Here I stand, all passive and de-bloomed!

Long live my Alma-Mater

Rahul Saha,

B. Tech. (2016-20)

The Boy Who Chased Shadows

A dark night, it is. Musty, foggy. Quarter to midnight, the clock ticks its way towards a chime.

A Boy, in rags, runs, runs and runs. Chases he, some shadows. Some his own, some strange to him. He almost reaches one, brings his hand out far, his fingers closing in a tight grip. Turning his closed fist upwards, he opens. Only air. Dressed in rags, he is, except a cap his father left him when he died a drunkard.

Across the wall, he sees the shadows move. He breaks into a run again. Runs, sweat trickling down his face, even in a night as cold as this. But this time, there are no shadows he chases. He runs, fearing something. People, behind him. Sound of footsteps reaches his ears. Looking back, he sees two men. One tall, one short. Black suits, they wear. They seem like shadows themselves, barely distinguishable against the dark of the alley.

They come closer, as if they are going to engulf the Boy into them. Runs, he runs. His legs wear out soon. Out of breath, he stops at a corner. His hand placed against a wall, panting, he looks in front. And there, he sees the Man.

There, the Man stands. Leaned against the wall, under the glow of the street lamp, he stands. A cigarette, in his mouth. His face cloaked by the lowered hat he wears. A hand reaches to the cig in his mouth. Taking the cig in between his middle and his fore, he takes it out, blowing smoke in the black. He lowers the hand down. The Boy sees the shadow, shadow of the Man, shift shape on the road. The Man still holding the cig, now with the

thumb and middle, taps on it with the fore. Ash falls, gently as a flake, on the road. And in the middle of black, the Boy sees, for a moment, a glow of red.

The Boy hears sounds, too. Some old jazz floating out of the ol' bar downtown, two blocks east. The footsteps seem a lot closer now. They are almost behind. They come. Onto him, two black shadows jump, pushing him into the street. The Man seems a lot closer now. Vision starts to blur for him. Everything starts to faint, rotate. Feels like blood across his face. Everything goes dark.

A light. The Boy opens his eyes.. He lies on the road, in a pool of blood. He doesn't feel hurt, there's no pain. Yet, the blood soaks itself through his rags. He looks at the side. Two bodies, all in black, lie, reeking of death. His gaze shifts upward. He can see the Man standing there. The Man stands, beneath the lamp, leaning against the wall, a cig in his mouth. Smoke rises. But this time, not from his mouth. It rises from the gun in his hand, a gun pointed towards the dead.

The Boy gets up, wanting to say something. The Man stacks his gun in his pant, comes forward, separate from the wall now, ready to leave. He looks up. The Boy sees his eyes for the first time. The Boy gets up. He stands face to face with the Man. They stare at each other. The Man nods and leaves, disappearing into the black.

The Boy stands there, all alone. He stands there for what feels like an eternity. He hears a chime in the distance. Shaken, he is. Looking towards the alley the Man vanished into, he breaks into a run.

He runs. He runs, chasing after the Man's shadow.

Yash Saxena.

B. Tech. (2015-19)

Achievements

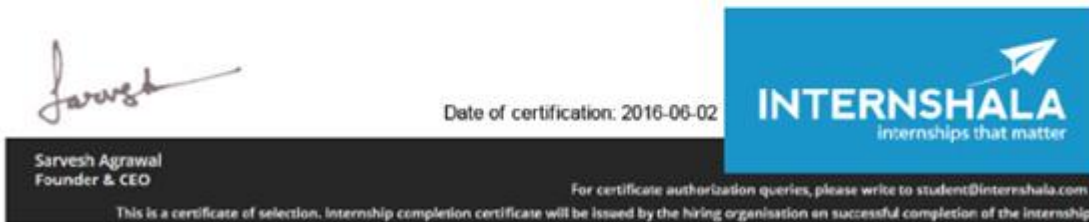
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Uddalak Bhaduri

from NIIT University successfully secured Mobile App Development internship at Wrappup through Internshala - India's No. 1 internship platform.

We wish Uddalak a great internship experience ahead.



Uddalak Bhaduri, student of B. Tech., batch 2015-2019 (CSE) bagged a summer internship opportunity with WrappUp Inc. Dubai, UAE.

He had been assigned to develop a Windows Desktop Application. He was the only one selected from a pool of 98 applicants after clearing the assigned project followed by HR interview.