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## **From the Editor's Desk**

**Dear Readers,**

Here we come again, with our bags full of reports of various campus activities and our regular features. Highlights this month were the Convocation ceremony and the melodious programme on the preceding evening of the Convocation ceremony.

This month saw a lot of recruitment activities taking place. Many renowned companies visited the campus and selected their prospective employees from our final year students.

The regular features are all there. The Winter Leh Diary, Nature Talk, Test your Brain and a poem by our newly inducted student editor, Lakshay Dhupar.

I hope you all enjoy reading this issue. Kindly mail your suggestions and/or feedback to the undersigned.

Best Wishes,

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## Special Events



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### Convocation Ceremony

The Convocation ceremony for the B.Tech. (Batch of 2011-15), M.Tech, MCA, MBA and MBA F&B batches took place on 26th September, 2015 in the auditorium. The ceremony was well organized. Gold medals were awarded to students who excelled in their overall activities during their stay in NU. The recipients of the *Dr. Karan Singh Gold Medal 2015* were:

Bachelor of Technology (Batch 2011-2015)	Juliet R Scaria
Master of Computer Application (Batch Jan.2012-2015)	Deepak Gupta
Master of Computer Application (Batch Jul. 2012-2015)	Jyoti Rani
Master of Technology - Educational Technology (Teaching Learning Process Innovation) (Batch 2013-2015)	Harleen Singh
Master of Technology -Geographic Information Systems (Batch 2013-2015)	Shanmuga Raja TM
Master of Business Administration-Finance (Batch 2013-2015)	Ruchika Pahwa
Master of Business Administration-Finance & Banking (Batch Oct. 2012-2014)	Shomit Sohan
Master of Business Administration-Finance & Banking (Batch April 2013-2015)	Gaurav Sikroria

*The Ram Rajindra Malhotra Medal 2015* was won by:

Bachelor of Technology (Batch 2011-2015)	Nishchay Tiwari
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### Melodies from golden ERA

A mesmerizing musical concert was held on 25th September, 2015 in the auditorium where the accomplished playback singers from the Mumbai Musical World, namely, Anil Bajpai (lead singer), Sampada Goswami, Rajesh Iyer and Vinayak Shinde touched every soul. Everybody enjoyed the melodious evening with the Songs of Yore which made the event a grand success.



**Campus News**





### **Recruitment Drives @ NU: GeeksforGeeks**

GeeksforGeeks visited NIIT University on 19th September, 2015 to conduct a Mock Placement Activity for the B. Tech. IV batch. Top performing students will be getting an opportunity for Industry Practice with the company.

### **Recruitment Drives @ NU: Cognizant**

Cognizant conducted a campus recruitment drive @ NIIT University on 7-8th September, 2015 for the B. Tech. IV students and offered employment to 53 students.

### **Recruitment Drives @ NU: PayU**

PayU India conducted a campus recruitment drive for Industry Practice & Placement @ NIIT University on 17-18th September for the B. Tech. IV batch. The Company selected and offered two students a CTC of 08.50 LPA.

### **Recruitment Drives @ NU: PricewaterhouseCoopers**

PricewaterhouseCoopers conducted a campus recruitment drive for Industry Practice @ NIIT University on 18th September, 2015 for B. Tech. I IV and selected ten students for Industry Practice with the company.

### **NU Honoured by Eminent Newspaper**

The Economic Times organized the E-Tech summit to take e-Governance to the next level under the Digital India initiative. This Summit explored new trends and innovations that are transforming strategic priorities and enabling superior e-Governance programs that add value to the citizens.

Considering the span and expanse of the National Narrative of Digital India, the Engineering Academia of the country would have a much larger role to play supporting the initiative at the grass root level in myriad forms. However, this engagement of Engineering Campuses with the domain of e-Governance needs to be further enhanced.

Recognizing the same, The Economic Times has identified & recognized those Engineering Campuses that are already in the fray contributing their bit, that are keen and inclined to be

an integral part of this unfurling national narrative. Under this initiative, a few of the campuses were accorded the title of e-Gov Campus.

It is a great pleasure to say that NIIT UNIVERSITY was among those selected few colleges that have been bestowed with e-Gov award during ET E-TECH Summit 2015 on 28th August, 2015 at New Delhi.

### **Talk on Personal Quality**

An inspiring talk on Personal Quality was held on 17th September, 2015 by Mr. Rajendra S Pawar. Everyone was left inspired by his speech which contained tips for improving our personal traits and presentation skills. The audience listened with rapt attention and kept the motion flowing with the questions they posed.

### **Talk on "Creating a startup"**

An inspiring talk was delivered by Mr. Rajendra S Pawar on 17th September, 2015 on the topic "Creating a startup". He explained various situations one could face when opting for this road less taken and left a positive impact on the students' minds which will definitely help them realize their dreams.

### **Japanese Food festival**

There was a Japanese Food Festival on 1st September, 2015 in Hotel Hirohama at Neemrana where the students, faculty and staff members got the opportunity to savour delicacies of Japan and broaden their horizons to Japanese culture and tastes. Both vegetarian and non-vegetarian items were available at a discount to NU students, faculty and staff. There was a presentation by the young Japanese students about Japan and the mouth-watering cuisines they prepared for the Festival.

### **HOTEL Hirohama: KUURAKU Serving**

Japanese/Chinese/Continental food was served at the campus on 25-26th September, 2015. The students relished the change that the vast variety of vegetarian and non-vegetarian dishes offered. We hope to see them more often.

### **BANDISHE- The Project Unplugged**

An evening of fusion music that blended Indian classical along with contemporary styles from all over the world, was held on 1 October, 2015 in Auditorium. The evening was called "BANDISHE" and the performance was conducted by the Project Unplugged, a musical group from NU.

The instrumentalists were flawless in their skills. The performers included:

Rishabh Chakrabarti on classical guitar (B. Tech. III)

Pravit Tuteja on rhythm acoustic guitar (B. Tech. III)

Venugopal Shah on the violin (B. Tech. III)

Raghav Mittal on vocals from (B. Tech. II)

Yash Saxena on the lead acoustic guitar (B. Tech. I)



The instrumental fusions were like a treat to the ears which the audience enjoyed immensely.



## Health



PC: buffalocitymetro.gov.za

### Importance of Onions

Ayurveda is the treatment of many diseases and simple injuries, infections with natural elements, herbs and plants that do not affect the other functions of the body. There are many uses of onions which are helpful for us and for problems we face in our daily lives.

#### 1. Too cool for a fever.

This is great if you have kids! A cold bath is a pretty traumatizing way to bring down a fever, especially for babies. A better way to get that temperature down is to put onion slices in their socks. After they're in bed with their newest organic footwear, put a cloth soaked in apple-cider vinegar on their forehead. The fever should be gone in no time.

#### 2. Got a cold....???

Onions are smelly and make you cry but they have a great side too. This amazing vegetable cures colds and in the most natural way possible. Boil an onion in tea or literally eat an onion raw and watch yourself get better in a few hours.

#### 3. Onions do wonders for earaches

Anyone who's ever had an earache knows the struggle of wanting to jump out of your own head. For people who have frequent earaches, this can be a pretty debilitating problem. The simplest solution to this problem is to take the innermost part of the onion, known as the 'heart'. Onions have such incredible anti-inflammatory properties, they will significantly decrease the pain of the earache and soften the wax in your ear for easier removal. Do this before bed and feel better in the morning.

#### 4. Cry it out

We all know onions make you tear up. The more you chop, chop, chop, the deeper the rivers you will cry. In the event that a foreign object find its way onto your eyeball, simply cut up some onion (do not put any part of the onion or your onion-y fingers in your eyes)

5. Cut yourself..?? No worries..!!

If you have a cut, big or small, don't bother with the polysporin. Go to the fridge and peel some onion skins, clean the wound and seal it with the onion skin. It stops bleeding quickly and helps the healing process.

6. Burns aren't nothing but a thing

Burns are a nasty thing and can leave scars...but onions. Apply an onion slice to the wound immediately and leave it there for 2 minutes. Then, glaze the area with egg whites to create a barrier and wrap the area in gauze. The burn will heal right away and you won't be able to tell anything happened! No scars!

7. Bees and bites

Onions are a good vegetable to have around the house in the summer because even bee stings and bug bites have no hope with them around. If stung, brush off the stinger as quickly as possible and apply a chopped white onion to the area. This reduces swelling, draws out venom and speeds healing.

**Gudajagan Mohan Reddy & Sushmita Singh**  
**NU Ayurveda Health Club**





## Nature Talk



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### Chinkara



The Chinkara, also called Indian gazelle, is a gazelle species native to Iran, Pakistan and India. It has a reddish-buff summer coat with smooth, glossy fur. In winter, the white belly and throat fur is in greater contrast. The sides of the face have dark chestnut stripes from the corner of the eye to the muzzle, bordered by white stripes. Its horns reach over 39 cm. (15 inches).

Chinkara live in arid plains and hills, deserts, dry scrub and light forests. They inhabit more than 80 protected areas in India. In 2001, the Indian Chinkara population was estimated at 100,000 with 80,000 living in the Thar Desert. The population in Pakistan is scattered, and has been severely reduced by hunting. Also in Iran, the population is fragmented.

Chinkara are shy animals and avoid human habitation. They can go without water for long periods and can get sufficient fluids from plants and dew. Although most are seen alone, they can sometimes be spotted in groups of up to four animals. They share their habitat with several other herbivores, such as Nilgai, Blackbuck, Chausingha, wild goats, and wild pigs.



Chinkara mate once a year. Males compete for access to females.

Chinkara are preyed upon by leopards, Bengal tigers, and dholes. The Chinkara was a common prey of the Asiatic cheetah in India alongside blackbucks. Outside protected areas they may be attacked by pariah dogs, and both wolves and golden jackals are also known to hunt them.

Source: wikipedia.org

**Divya Sara Kurian**

**B.Tech. II**



## Student Editor Special



PC: fijosun.com

### A Random Thought

A random thought, as it may have occurred usually,  
Lend me your attention for a minute or two.  
Have you wondered now, how this compilation could've reached your attention and its field of  
view?

When it may have got nothing much to do with you.

Ever wondered how some randomness of some random words from a random brain,  
Could do great, or could go down easily in vain.

Well, randomness here and how can someone forget our world,  
Yes, in a world where every second brings up a random domain,  
And with it, some random happiness and some pain.

A dozen old ethics and duties to commit,  
Whether in bright sunlight, or rooms dimly lit.  
You live random, move random, speak random,  
To find nothing but a random trend, which you term as your daily pick,  
Where you face a random bastard many a time,  
And still perform him a smile, and throw him some sweet words to lick.

Where you love the ruby, and throw yourself in a nascent valence band  
But before the popular ruby among, clap for yourself,  
As there may have been no glitter in it, if there wasn't you – it's constituent sand.

Bring out some time,  
From your so planned but still, in at the end of the day - a random life,

To praise the breathes you take in,  
To honestly praise your losses, your wins.

To praise the load you carry so far,  
To praise even if any wreck you are.

To praise your feelings, praise your emotions,  
Praise your existence and in the end praise and pass this random notion,  
For much said and maybe still many more things to include,  
Applaud the randomness of this line or not, I hereby conclude...

**Lakshay Dhupar**  
**Student Editor**

## **Expressions**



PC: next-impulse.com

### **Everyone**

For me, you were just none  
But after the time passed, you became my everyone.

I loved to chase that girl  
But unfortunately, I did whirl.

Because of you I may approach misconceptions  
But you were always there for all the corrections.

Someone says "Love is in the air"  
But I think loving blindly is not fair.

Besides knowing, I still went on the same path  
Since then, I have lost my own heart.

There is a song "Love the way you lie"  
When one falls down, we tend to cry.

She called me mad, stupid what not?  
To show my feeling, I took my pen and just wrote.

Once I got frustrated and kept on thinking  
And, with tears my eyes were blinking.

Am I that bad you couldn't talk?  
At last you left me and I was in shock.

Age going up and I became old  
I realized that you were the only gold.

And yes! At earlier stages for me, you were just none  
But after the time passed, you became my everyone!

**Ankit Pahuja**  
**B. Tech. I**



**WINTER LEH DIARY 15TH - 22ND JANUARY, 2014**

**Day 4: Tangste - Pangong Tso - ChangLa - Leh**

*Distance Covered: Approx. 200 kms*

We woke up to find a cloudy sky. As I went outside the guest house, I saw people sweeping snow from their door steps. A very mild snow flake fall was there. Our desire was a clear sky where we could enjoy the views of Pangong Tso. Rigzin was not sure if the lake was frozen or not.

Sonia decided to make the breakfast. We all were ready & went to the kitchen for breakfast - french toast & tea. Delicious is the word. Thank you Doc!! We loaded our luggage in the car, settled the bill & bid the owner goodbye. Pangong Tso, here we come!

The entire route till Pangong Tso, barring a few 100 m. stretches, was laden with snow. The vistas were beautiful.





The sky was still cloudy. The view was heavenly. Soon, we were at the first viewpoint of Pangong Tso. It is quite comfortable to cross the Pagal Nalla on the bridge. Saurabh said that during his first visit, there was no bridge & one had to go through the stream. The lake became visible. Wow. The first view was that it's not frozen. But as we moved towards Spangmik, we could see the lake frozen. **YEAHHH** 😄 😄 . What a view it was! Long view of just white ice. Magnificent! Rigzin took a detour from the road and we reached the lake shore.



The breeze had now picked up and it was getting extremely difficult to stand out there. We packed up from that spot & went to the 3 idiots point.



The breeze now was so strong that we just couldn't bear the chill. We left the lake after spending a splendid time enjoying everything that was there. It seemed magical. Once in

the car, I got hold of the water bottle. 4-5 gulps of warm water, cheese. After 5 minutes, I was feeling better. Our temperature meter was showing: minus 25deg. 🥶🥶

So, now we had to go back to Leh via ChangLa. As soon as we reached Durbuk, the weather became better. The sun was out and the sky was clear. We stopped at Durbuk for refreshments. Maggi, as usual. We waved goodbye to the jawans at TCP, Durbuk. Real gentlemen. Respect. 🙏🙏

The road was great, the view amazing. We were enjoying the beauty of the place. The roads started worsening 5-6 kms before Tsoltak. Snowy roads. Rigzin was driving cautiously. At some places the Xylo tyres slipped. Nothing to worry about though.

We took a sharp left upwards. The gorge was to our left. An army truck was coming down. The truck driver had enough time & space to pass by, yet he applied brakes. The truck slipped, its face towards the mountain side, rear end in the middle of the road and it started slipping & coming towards us in that fashion. Ohhh man!! Rigzin somehow averted that slipping truck. We all were shocked. But now our momentum was broken. The car was still & the wheels were slipping. We were not moving an inch forward. "Arre chadh ja...chadhta kyu nai... 🤔🤔" Rigzin was trying hard. He turned the steering towards left. The car slipped towards the road side where there was some snow & mud, which gave the required friction & we rolled on again. What an incident! Hats off to Rigzin again for not panicking & keeping his cool.

We didn't get down at ChangLa. Bowed our heads to Changla Baba, clicked a few photographs and went on.



The road after Zingrail TCP were great. We were enjoying the views, jokes were plentiful and the atmosphere was jolly. The sun was shining bright.

We arrived at Karu and stopped for tea. We moved on from Karu and stopped at the The Druk White Lotus School (3 Idiots). The school was closed but we managed some

photographs. We turned towards the Sindhu Darshan and also clicked some photographs. We had an amazing day and went to our Guest House.



Tomorrow, Day 5, will be a day off for us, with a trip to the Leh market.

**Aniruddha Jasu**

**MBA Finance & Banking, Batch 8**



## Test Your Brain



### MYSTERY: AUGUST

A man and a woman live peacefully in a house together. But one day the woman shoots her husband. Then she holds him under water for over five minutes. Finally, she hangs him, but ten minutes later they go out and enjoy a wonderful dinner. How can this be?

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