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# AVIT INKS MOU WITH CRI, SAN DIEGO, USA



**A** arupadai Veedu Institute of Technology (AVIT) marked a significant milestone on January 25, 2025, by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Center for Research and Innovation (CRI), San Diego, USA. This collaboration paves the way for global research partnerships, academic exchanges, and innovative advancements.

The historic event was graced by Dr. A. S. Ganesan, Honourable Chancellor of VMRF (DU), and Shri J. Suresh Samuel, Chief Strategy Officer, VMRF (DU). Dr. Ganesan emphasized that the MoU would foster faculty and student exchanges, joint research, and academic collaborations, strengthening both institutions' global impact.



Distinguished dignitaries from CRI, including Dr. Elizabeth Mills, Professor and Research Program Director, Dr. Reni Sagayaraj, Visiting Professor and Board Member, Dr. Arasu Sanjeevi, Founder of CRI, Shri Balamurugan Muthukumaraswamy, Indian Operations Director, Smt. Madeline Falcone, Founder and Director of the Falcone Institute, added prestige to the occasion.

The delegation from AVIT included Prof. P. Rajasekaran, Deputy Registrar (Admin), VMRF; Dr. M. Lakshmi Mohan, Head-CIR; Dr. S. P. Sangeetha, VP (Academics), Dr. L. Prabhu, VP (Admin), University Officials, faculty members and students. This MoU underscores AVIT and CRI's commitment to academic



excellence, serving as a catalyst for cutting-edge research, transformative education, and the development of future-ready scholars.



## Prof. Dr. B. JAYKAR, DIRECTOR (CLINICAL TRIALS), AS CHIEF GUEST SNATAKA 2024



**P**rof. Dr. B. Jaykar, Director (Clinical Trials), graced the Graduation Day celebration SNATAKA 2024 at HKE Society's Matoshree Taradevi Rampure Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kalaburagi, Karnataka, on January 10, 2025, as the Chief Guest. He was felicitated by Sri Shashil G. Namoshi, MLC, President of Hyderabad Karnataka Education Society, Kalaburagi. Prof. Dr. Jaykar delivered an inspiring graduation address and conferred degrees upon the graduating students.

## Prof. Dr. B. JAYKAR AT THE PHARM FIESTA 2K25



**P**rof. Dr. B. Jaykar, Director (Clinical Trials), was the Chief Guest at PHARM FIESTA 2K25, E.R.K. College of Pharmacy, on Jan 31, 2025. He delivered the address, distributed prizes, and was honored by Mr. E. R. Selvaraj.

## Prof. Dr. B. JAYKAR AT A SEMINAR ON DATA ANALYTICS IN DRUG DISCOVERY

**P**rof. Dr. B. Jaykar attended the Valedictory Function of the seminar on "Data Analytics - Next Dimension in Drug Discovery" at Vinayaka Mission's College of Pharmacy, Salem, on Jan 29, 2025. He delivered the address and distributed certificates.



# FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

## (Awards / Recognition)

At VMRF, our faculty members continually demonstrate excellence, earning accolades and awards across various platforms. At both national and international forums, their dedication to advancing knowledge and research has been recognized widely, highlighting their substantial contributions to their respective fields. These achievements not only honor their expertise but also stand as a testament to our institution's commitment to fostering a culture of academic excellence and innovation.

## Vinayaka Mission's Homoeopathic Medical College & Hospital, Salem

### COMMUNITY MEDICINE PROFESSOR AS THE CONTINGENT LEADER AT REPUBLIC DAY PARADE CAMP 2025

Prof. Dr. S. Gokulakannan from the Department of Community Medicine served as the Contingent Leader and Camp Coordinator for Tamil Nadu at the 2025 Republic Day Parade Camp, representing Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (Deemed to be University),



Salem. He led the contingent at the Parade Camp held at VIT, Chennai, from January 17<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> and was honoured for his dedication and contributions to this prestigious event.

## Dr. S. GOKULAKANNAN IS THE NEW DEAN

Professor Dr. S. Gokulakannan was appointed as the new Dean of Faculty of Homeopathy.



## Vinayaka Mission's College of Pharmacy Salem

### FOUR FACULTY MEMBERS SERVED AS EVALUATORS AND PRESENTERS AT INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT

The following faculty members were poster evaluators and research paper presenters at the International Leadership Summit titled “Innovative in Pharma: How Young Leaders Can Drive Change,” at St. Peter’s Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences at Hyderabad. The event was organized by the Indian Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (IACP), on January 21.

S.No	Name of the Faculty Member	Department	Role	Paper Presented
1	Professor Dr. V. Gomathi	Pharmacology	Evaluator and Research Paper Presenter	Evaluation of Anti-Diabetic And Antihyperlipidimic Activity of Leaves Of Strobilanthus Kunthiana in Diabetic Induced Rat Model
2	Professor Dr. D. Umamaheswari	Pharmaceutical Chemistry	Evaluator and Research Paper Presenter	Analytical Method Development & Validation For Cyanocobalamine Injection by Using RP-HPLC
3	Professor Dr. V. Muruganantham	Pharmaceutics	Evaluator and Research Paper Presenter	Fabrication and Optimization of Punica Geranatum Fruit Extract-Antioxident Activity
4	S. Gunasekaran Assistant Professor	Pharmaceutics	Research Paper Presenter	Formulations And Evaluation of Gastro Retentive Micro Balloons of Rabe Prazole (Hallow Micro Sphere)

## Vinayaka Mission's Annapoorana College of Nursing, Salem

### PRINCIPAL AS CHIEF GUEST IN THE LAMP LIGHTING CEREMONY

Dr. K. Maheswari was the Chief guest at Sri Gokulam College of Nursing, Salem, where she participated in the Lamp Lighting Ceremony for newcomers of DGNM and B.Sc. (N) students.



## Vinayaka Mission's College of Nursing, Puducherry

### DR. B. SUDHA WAS RESOURCE PERSON AT ONLINE RC



Dr. B. Sudha, Professor in Dept. of Child Health Nursing was the Resource Person at the “Online Recognized Certificate Course (R.C.) in Information Communication & Technology”.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem

### DIRECTOR PUBLISHED RESEARCH PAPER ON SOCIAL ISOLATION IN SPRINGER JOURNAL

Professor Dr. B. Sendilkumar published a research paper, “Epidemiology of Loneliness & Social Isolation: An Emerging Public Mental Health Predicament in India – A Scoping Review”, in Discover Mental Health (Springer Nature).

# THANGAKUMARA PARTICIPATED IN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON PROMOTING GLOBAL PEACE

Thangakumara from the Department of RIT participated in an International Symposium titled “Education to Promote Global Peace & Human Agency”, organized by IHPE & SBVP (DU) on January 24.



# DEAN FEATURED IN FORBES INDIA FOR LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION



Director and Dean, Professor Dr. B. Sendilkumar featured in the January 2025 issue of Forbes India as an “Inspiring and Influential Personality.” This prestigious recognition highlights his leadership, contributions and dedication to fostering innovation, academic excellence and impactful healthcare practices.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Puducherry

# DIRECTOR SAHS AND SHREE SRUTHI AS RESOURCE PERSONS ON BCI AT BENGALURU CONFERENCE

Professor Andrew John Silvester and Shree Sruthi E. were resource persons and shared their insights



on the topics (1) Brain Computer Interface (BCI): Bridging Neuroscience and Technology; and (2) Sleep Neuroscience: Understanding The Brain's Role In Sleep Disorders. The sessions were part of the National Allied Health Sciences Conference - AHSCON 2025, at the S-VYASA University in Bengaluru.



## Aarupadai Veedu Institute of Technology, Chennai

### D. PARTHIBAN TRANSLATED A CIVIL ENGINEERING COURSE USING MACHINE LEARNING

D. Parthiban from the Civil Engineering Department translated 6.5 hours of a Civil



Engineering course titled “Introduction to Accounting and Finance for Civil Engineers (105104178),” from English to Tamil using a Machine Learning Tool. This NPTEL Swayam course was offered by IIT-Bombay.

### 6 CSE ACADEMICIANS COMPLETED FDP ON MACHINE LEARNING

The following academicians completed a Faculty Development Programme (FDP) titled “AI and Quantum Computing: Glimpsing the Near Future.” The FDP was organized by Sri Sairam Engineering College, from January 20 to 25. The awarding agency was AICTE - ATAL. Dr. K. Shantha Shalini, Dr. K. Shobana, S. Simonthomas, P. Thara, Mary Praveena J. and J. Priyadharshini.

## **S. SATHIYARAJ PUBLISHED PAPERS ON METAL MATRIX COMPOSITES IN TURKISH JOURNAL**

S. Sathiyaraj, Mechanical Department published two papers titled (1) "Optimization of Wear Behaviour of Al6061 Metal Matrix Composites Using Taguchi Approach; and (2) Examining the Mechanical Properties of Al-SiC Metal Matrix Composites Produced Using the Stir Casting Method. Both papers were published in the Turkish Journal of Engineering (indexed in scopus).

## **K. SURENDRA BABU COMPLETED HIS Ph.D. VIVA VOCE ON DIESEL ENGINE PERFORMANCE**



K. Surendra Babu from the Mechanical Department completed his PhD viva voce on the topic "Experimental Investigation on the Performance Analysis of a Diesel Engine Using Biodiesel with Various Improvement Techniques," January 21, in our Salem campus.

## **School of Arts & Science - Chennai**

### **Dr. A. PADMAPRIYA PUBLISHED RESEARCH PAPER ON DOPAMINE DETECTION**

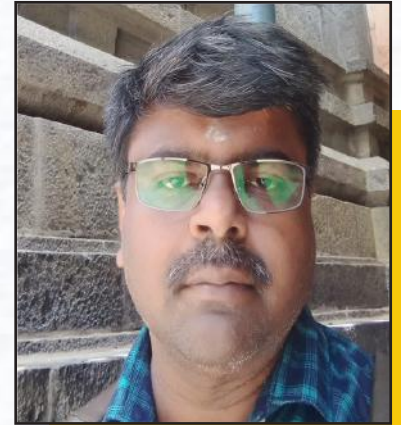
Dr. A. Padmapriya, Chemistry Department published a research paper titled "Design and Fabrication of Nitrogen and Sulfur Doped Carbon Quantum Dot-Integrated Cobalt Hexacyanoferrate Hybrid Sensor Electrodes for Enhanced Dopamine Detection," in the prestigious



Journal of Materials Science: Materials in Electronics (Impact Factor: 2.8, Q2).

## **SENTHIL KUMAR S. PUBLISHED RESEARCH PAPER ON BLOCKCHAIN**

Senthil Kumar from CSE published a research paper titled “Blockchain Based Cryptographic Protocols for Secure Data Transmission,” in the journal SSRG International Journal of Electronics and Communication Engineering.



## **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS (AWARDS / RECOGNITION) - CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

VMRF students showcased exceptional skills across various co-curricular activities, earning recognition and accolades. Their achievements reflect both talent and dedication, celebrating individual successes while highlighting the vibrant spirit and diversity of our student community.

## **School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem**

### **Ph.D SCHOLAR PUBLISHED PAPER ON SOCIAL ISOLATION**

Niranjan (MPH) published a research paper titled “Epidemiology of Loneliness & Social Isolation: An Emerging Public Mental Health Predicament in India – A Scoping Review,” in the esteemed Discover Mental Health Journal, under Springer Nature publications.

## **YUKESH A. AND ABINASRI A. PARTICIPATED IN GOVERNMENT WORKSHOP ON DIGITAL MEDIA ADDICTION**

Yukesh A. (III/V/Cardiac Technology) and Abinasri A. (I/I/Optomtry) participated in the State-Level Workshop on “Youth Against Digital Media Addiction,” organized by the Youth Welfare & Sports Development Department of Tamil Nadu. The workshop was held at Anna University, Chennai to raise awareness about the negative impacts of digital media addiction and promoted healthier digital habits among the youth.



### **School of Allied Health Sciences, Puducherry**

#### **RESEARCH SCHOLARS AND PG STUDENTS ATTENDED WORKSHOP ON SCOPUS AND WEB OF SCIENCE**

Research Scholars and PG students from the Puducherry Campus attended a Research Capacity Building Workshop on Familiarization of Scopus and Web of Science. The event was organised by the University on January 23.

### **Aarupadai Veedu Institute of Technology, Chennai**

#### **ROHITH AND CSE FACULTY MEMBERS PUBLISHED RESEARCH PAPER ON MACHINE LEARNING**

Rohith, AI & DS, IV Year along with faculty members Dr. K. Shantha Shalini and S. Simonthomas from the CSE department published a research paper in IEEE Xplore titled “Machine Learning-Based

Wild-Animal Detection Near Roads Using IoT Sensors and Optimization,” through the International Conference on Intelligent Systems and Advanced Applications (ICISAA). The paper was published on January 15, 2025, with DOI: 10.1109/ICISAA62385.2024.10828816.

## EEE'S TEAM IGNITE'S ROAD CLEANING MACHINE RANKED BEST AND AWARDED CASH PRIZE

Team Ignite, consisting of 7 students, participated in Xplore EVenture, (Agricultural and Sanitary Applications) organized by the Centre for E -Mobility at SRM Kattankulathur. Their innovative project, titled “Road Cleaning Machine with Rolling Brush and EV Bike,” won the Best Performance Award, along with a cash prize of Rs. 5,000. Many congratulations to the team of Sourangsu Chandra (III/EEE); Md. Akif (III/EEE); Md. Shahbaz Alam (III/EEE); Sanjay S. (III/EEE); Sahil Kumar (IV/EEE); Krishan Kumar (IV/EEE); and Md. Baidullah Ansari (IV/EEE).



## CSE-EEE STARTUP QUALIFIED FOR STARTUP COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DURING IIT EVENT

CSE-EEE startup 3E Powerfly Pvt Ltd qualified for the Startup Community Fellowship in the XartUp Community Sponsored by iTIC, IIT Hyderabad for their project Power Kit using Gravity Flywheel.



Congrats to Narmadha A., Joy Thomas T.V., and mentor Dr. K. Boopathy.

# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS (AWARDS / RECOGNITION) - EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

## Vinayaka Mission's College of Nursing, Puducherry

### NSS STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAMME

10 VMCON NSS volunteers participated in a Road Safety Awareness Programme organized by the Puducherry Traffic Police Department on January 20. The programme was held at the 100 ft Road, RTO, Puducherry.



### B.SC. (NURSING) STUDENTS HELPED POLICE WITH ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS RALLY



B.Sc. (Nursing) students participated in a Road Safety Awareness Rally Programme. It was organized by the Traffic Police Department & NSS Cell on January 24. The rally was held at the RTO Office at the 100 ft Road, Puducherry.

## STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN WOMEN EMPOWERMENT RALLY



11 NSS Volunteers participated in a Women Empowerment Department Rally organized by the Women and Child Development Department, Puducherry and their NSS Cell on January 22.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem

### PERFUSION TECHNOLOGY'S RAJESHWARI PARTICIPATED IN TN'S REPUBLIC DAY PARADE AT CHENNAI MARINA



A proud moment for VMRF(DU) as Rajeshwari (I/I/Perfusion Technology) an NSS Volunteer and Perfusion Technology student, participated in TN's Republic Day parade at Chennai Marina - before our Hon'ble Governor RN Ravi and Hon'ble Chief Minister MK Stalin.

Rajeshwari underwent a rigorous training camp at VIT, Chennai, from January 17 to 25.

## EVENTS ORGANISED

Explore the vibrant tapestry of events organised at VMRF, where seminars, workshops, conferences, and faculty development programmes converge to foster knowledge exchange and professional growth. From insightful discussions to hands-on training sessions, each event is meticulously curated to ignite curiosity and cultivate expertise across a diverse array of disciplines.

### Aarupadai Veedu Medical College and Hospital, Puducherry

#### OBG AND ENT SPECIALTY CAMPS

On 20th January 2025, the Camp Team of AVMC & H, Puducherry, organized two specialty camps. The OBG Specialty Camp at Nellikuppam Satellite Centre to address women's health, offering consultations,



screenings, and awareness sessions on various gynaecological conditions and maternal care. Alongside, the ENT Specialty Camp at Kandarakottai Satellite Centre focused on ear, nose, and throat care, providing medical check-ups, diagnostic services, and guidance on common ENT disorders.

#### PAIN & PALLIATIVE CARE CAMP IN PANRUTI



On 22nd January 2025, the Camp Team organized three specialized healthcare camps aimed at providing essential medical services to the community. The Pain & Palliative Specialty Camp at Panruti Satellite Centre was dedicated to offering compassionate

care for patients with chronic pain and life-limiting illnesses, focusing on pain management and enhancing the quality of life for individuals in need of palliative support.

## GENERAL MEDICINE CAMP IN SATHIPATTU OFFERED COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE

The General Medicine Specialty Camp, Sathipattu addressed a wide array of common medical conditions, providing thorough consultations, diagnostics, and treatment plans for individuals facing general health concerns.



## GENERAL SURGERY CAMP IN NELLIKUPPAM



The General Surgery Specialty Camp at Nellikuppam Satellite Centre catered to those in need of surgical consultations and evaluations, offering expert guidance on various surgical issues and potential interventions.

These camps were organised not only to provide healthcare services but also to raise awareness about prevention, early detection, and the management of these conditions.

## FREE EYE CHECK-UPS AND VISION CARE AT KANDARAKOTTAI SATELLITE CENTRE



On 23rd January 2025, the Camp Team conducted two significant healthcare camps. The Ophthalmology Specialty Camp at Kandarakottai Satellite Centre focused on eye health, offering free eye check-ups, screenings for common eye diseases, and guidance

on maintaining vision.

## CANCER AWARENESS SCREENING CAMP

The Cancer Awareness Screening Camp was organized to educate the public about cancer prevention, early detection, and available screening methods. The camp provided free cancer screenings, consultations, and information on how lifestyle changes can reduce the risk of cancer.



## Vinayaka Mission's Sankarachariyar Dental College, Salem

## WORKSHOP ON EFFECTIVE SALES AND MARKETING STRATEGIES



A workshop on “Effective Sales and Marketing Strategies for Entrepreneurs and Startups” was organized by the Institution Innovation Cell on 20th January 2025, with Dr. Manoharan, an IPR expert, as the resource person.

## FDP ON PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING

A Faculty Development Programme on “Problem-Based Learning for New Faculties” was organized by the Dental Education Unit on 22nd January 2025, featuring Dr. Maya Ramesh, HOD of the Department of Oral Pathology, as the guest speaker.



## A SESSION ON EXFOLIATIVE CYTOLOGY IN EARLY DIAGNOSIS



A session on “Exfoliative Cytology in Early Diagnosis” was conducted in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Oral Microbiology on 23rd January 2025, led by Dr. Maya Ramesh, HoD, Department of Oral Pathology.

## EXPERT TALK ON VENEER PREPARATION AND ADVANCED GINGIVAL RETRACTION TECHNIQUES

A session on “Veneer Preparation, Impression Techniques, and Recent Gingival Retraction Techniques” was held on 24th January 2025 by the Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics, Pedodontics, and Prosthodontics, with Dr. Manikyaa Arabolu leading the session.



# ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR FINAL-YEAR BDS STUDENTS

On 24th January 2025, an orientation program for final-year BDS students was conducted to provide essential guidance as they prepare for the final phase of their academic journey. The session was led by Dr. Saranyan,



Associate Dean. The program aimed to equip students with the necessary knowledge and resources to successfully transition into their final year and prepare for their future careers in dentistry.

## MASTER CLASS ON PREFORMED PEDIATRIC ZIRCONIUM CROWNS

On 21st January 2025, the Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry successfully conducted a Master Class on Preformed Pediatric Zirconium



Crowns. Dr. Sai Sharath, Assistant Professor at Sathyabama Dental College, led the session, providing comprehensive insights into various types of zirconium crowns, with a focus on Propedo Zirconia crowns. He shared valuable tips and techniques for preparation and luting, enhancing participants' practical skills.

The event also featured a hands-on session, allowing faculty members, postgraduates, and interns to apply their knowledge under expert guidance. The Institution extends its gratitude to Dr. Sai Sharath and Dr. Faizur Rahman for their expertise and contributions to the success of this enriching program.

## DENTAL CAMP AT THE POLICE HOSPITAL IN ANNATHANAPATTI

On January 21, 2025, the Department of Public Health Dentistry at Vinayaka Mission's Sankarachariyar Dental College, Salem, organized a free dental camp at the Police Hospital in Annathanapatti, benefiting eight patients.



## DENTAL CAMP AT L.E.F. EDEN GARDEN SCHOOL



The Department of Public Health Dentistry at Vinayaka Mission's Sankarachariyar Dental College in Salem conducted a free dental camp at L.E.F. Eden Garden School on 24.01.2025. A total of 465 school children benefited from the camp.

## Vinayaka Mission's Homoeopathic Medical College & Hospital, Salem

### HOMOEOPATHIC MEDICAL CAMP BY DEPARTMENT OF ORGANON OF MEDICINE (M-I UNIT)

On January 21, 2025, the Department of Organon of Medicine (M-I Unit) organized a free homoeopathic medical camp at the Regulated Agricultural Market Campus, Uthamacholapuram, Salem. The medical team, led by Prof. Dr. N.



Shanthi, included Dr. A. Praveen Kumar, Dr. P. Santidheepan, Dr. Sulabha, postgraduate students, CRRIs, and hospital support staff. Patients were screened for acute and chronic diseases, provided with free homoeopathic medicines, and had their weight, blood pressure, and blood glucose measured. Counseling and diet advice were offered to some attendees. The camp benefited 78 individuals, including farmers, agribusiness people, and agriculture staff.

## **RESEARCH INTERACTIONS FOR STUDENT ENRICHMENT, ENHANCEMENT, AND ENCOURAGEMENT (RISE)**

The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH), Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, hosted a webinar as part of the RISE series on January 23, 2025. Dr. Debadatta Nayak, Research Officer



(Homoeopathy)/Scientist-III, delivered Lecture 12 titled “Knowledge of Data (Continued...)” Participants included III-year, final-year, CRRi students, and postgraduates from VMHMCH, Salem.

## **NATIONAL VOTERS’ DAY PLEDGE PROGRAMME**

On January 25, 2025, the NSS unit of Vinayaka Mission’s Homoeopathic Medical College & Hospital, Salem, organized a National Voters’ Day Pledge Programme at 11:30 a.m. on the college campus. Led by NSS volunteer Miss Madumitha, the pledge saw participation from 50 NSS volunteers, fostering awareness about voting rights and responsibilities.

# Vinayaka Mission's College of Nursing, Karaikal

## NATIONAL VOTERS' DAY

In observance of National Voters' Day, the District Election Office organized an Intercollegiate Rangoli Competition at Karaikal Beach on January 22, 2025, centered on the theme "Nothing like voting; I vote for sure."

## School of Physiotherapy, Puducherry

## PHYSIOTHERAPY WORKSHOP ON ONCOLOGY REHABILITATION

On January 21 and 22, 2025, the Department of Physiotherapy conducted a comprehensive workshop on "Physiotherapy Management in Oncology Rehabilitation."

The sessions were led by Chief Physiotherapists Dr. M. S. Satish and Mrs. D. Anitha, who provided in-depth insights into effective physiotherapeutic interventions for oncology patients. The workshop encompassed both theoretical knowledge and practical applications, aiming to enhance participants' proficiency in managing rehabilitation for cancer patients.

## WALL PAINTING COMPETITION

On January 23, 2025, the NSS unit participated in a wall painting competition organized by the District Election



Office. Four NSS volunteers actively engaged in creating awareness through their creative paintings on public walls at the Government Hospital in Karaikal, emphasizing the same theme.

# School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem

## NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Gender Sensitization Cell, observed National Girl Child Day on January 21, 2025. Prof. Dr. B. Sendilkumar, Director, SAHS, VMRF (DU), delivered the welcome address and spoke on “Women Growth in Society.” The program featured an interactive



discussion on “Career Growth and Overcoming Gender Barriers” with RJ’s from Suriyan FM, Salem—Ms. Induja, Ms. Dharshini, Ms. Elakkiya, Ms. Viji, Ms. Maya, and Ms. Vidhu—as the chief guests. As part of the celebration, Annapoorani Educational and Sports Scholarships were awarded to outstanding girl students. Additionally, an awareness board on “Laws for the Protection of Girl Children & Government Schemes for Women” was inaugurated on campus. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Prof. R. Tamilchudar.

## IIC & E-CELL HOST INTERACTIVE SESSION FOR NATIONAL STARTUP DAY

To commemorate National Startup Day, the IIC & E-Cell organized an interactive session on January 22,



2025, at Dr. ASG Auditorium. Prof. Dr. B. Sendilkumar delivered the welcome address, followed by a session titled “The Innovation Journey” by Ms. Tharany,

Chairperson & COO of Medford Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Salem. She shared insights on entrepreneurship and innovation, inspiring nearly 120 students who attended the session.

## A LECTURE ON “CAUSES, PREVENTION & TREATMENT OF CERVICAL CANCER

In observance of World Cervical Cancer Awareness Month, the Young Indian Club & MPH, organized an



awareness program on January 22, 2025. The session was presided over by Prof. Dr. B. Sendilkumar, with Dr. Prabha, Gynaecologist at VIMS Hospital, Salem, as the chief guest. She delivered an insightful lecture on “Causes, Prevention & Treatment of Cervical Cancer,” educating attendees on key aspects of cervical cancer awareness and healthcare.

## ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS EVENT IN HASTHAMPATTY



In observance of Road Safety Awareness Week, the Road Safety Club organized an awareness event on January 23, 2025, at Hasthampatty, Salem. The event was presided over by Prof. Dr. B. Sendilkumar, with Ms. Ashwini, Assistant Commissioner

of Police, Hasthampatty Range, Salem, as the chief guest. Mrs. Thavamani, Inspector (Hasthampatty Police Station), and Mr. Venkatachalam, Traffic

Inspector, were also honoured at the event. Student volunteers actively engaged with the public, raising awareness about road safety and traffic rules. Pamphlets and awareness notices were distributed, and tree saplings were presented to helmet-wearing individuals as a token of appreciation. Additionally, reflective headlight stickers were affixed to two-wheelers to enhance nighttime visibility.

## DRUG EXPO SHOWCASING INNOVATIONS IN PHARMACOLOGY AND HEALTHCARE

In honour of National Pharmacist Day, the Department of Pharmacology,



hosted a Drug Expo on January 23, 2025. The event featured Dr. Prabhakaran, Consultant in General & Geriatric Medicine at VIMS Hospital, Salem, as the chief guest. The expo saw enthusiastic participation, with 70 teams showcasing innovations in pharmacology and healthcare. The top three teams were recognized and awarded prizes for their outstanding contributions.



## PLEDGE-TAKING CEREMONY TO PROMOTE ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION

NSS & NCC Units, SAHS, VMRF (DU) held a Voters' Pledge ceremony on Jan 25, 2025, per

the Youth Welfare and Sports Development directive. Prof. Dr. B. Sendilkumar emphasized electoral participation. Students, faculty, and staff pledged to vote responsibly.

## CLEANLINESS CAMPAIGN ON NATIONAL CLEANLINESS DAY



On National Cleanliness Day, the Student EVS Club, Bhumi Club & Young Indian Club led a campus cleanup on Jan 26, 2025. Prof. Dr. B. Sendilkumar inaugurated the drive, with 30 students collecting 50 kg of waste, later handed to Seeragapadi Panchayat.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, VMKVMC Campus, Salem

### MARATHON 2025

The NEP Cell of VMRF (DU) and the NEP Student Club, SAHS, VMKVMCH Campus, organized Marathon 2025 on January 25, 2025, to promote awareness and understanding of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 among students, faculty, and the public.



The event witnessed enthusiastic participation, with around 250 students and faculty members from 11 constituent colleges of the Salem campus, VMRF (DU), actively taking part. The marathon was inaugurated by the chief guest, Prof. Dr. A. Rajan Samuel, Director - Academics, VMRF (DU), who emphasized the significance of NEP 2020 in transforming the education system.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Puducherry



## ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM BY SAHS AND KIRUMAMPAKKAM TRAFFIC POLICE

To commemorate National Road

Safety Month, SAHS, in association with the Kirumampakkam Traffic Police Station, organized a road safety awareness program on January 20, 2025. The event aimed to educate participants on traffic regulations, safe driving practices, and the importance of road safety.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Chennai



### **NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY 2025: RAISING VOICES FOR GIRLS RIGHTS AND SAFETY**

On January 24, 2025, the Gender Sensitization Cell organized an event for National Girl Child Day 2025 with the theme: “To every girl, may your dreams be as limitless as the sky.” The event aimed to raise awareness about the challenges faced by girl children, highlighting relevant laws and penalties. The session featured impactful speeches by Mrs. Thamizhselvi, Inspector of Police, Women Police Station, Mahabalipuram, and Mrs. Paranjothi, Coordinator, IANATA Foundation. A demonstration of the KAVAL UTHAVI APP for safety was also presented. The event concluded with an awareness oath taken by both students and faculty. A total of 200 female students participated, gaining valuable insights.

### **AWARENESS CAMPAIGN PROMOTING ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION AND CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY**

On National Voters’ Day, NSS & Youth Club, SAHS, Chennai, formed a human hand symbolizing a voting finger on Jan 25, 2025. With the theme “Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure,” the event highlighted electoral participation. Over 300 students took part.



## School of Rehabilitation and Behavioral Sciences, Puducherry



### HEARING AND SPEECH SCREENING CAMP AT TAQA

A Hearing and Speech Language Screening Camp was organized by SRBS on 24th January 2025

at TAQA, Virudhachalam, Cuddalore District. A total of 51 individuals were screened, with 49 receiving referrals to the hospital for further evaluation. The camp was successfully coordinated by Mr. Vinayagamurthi, Camp Coordinator and Clinical Supervisor at SRBS.

## Vinayaka Mission's Kirupananda Variyar Engineering College, Salem

### FOOD FEST: A CELEBRATION OF CULINARY DIVERSITY

On 24th January 2025, the Department of Pharmaceutical Engineering organized a vibrant and engaging Food Fest to celebrate culinary diversity and provide a platform for both students and faculty to showcase their cooking skills.



The event featured a wide variety of delicious foods, highlighting different cuisines.

# GREEN AI: 6-DAY STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ON SUSTAINABLE AI



The Department of CSE, in collaboration with the AICTE - Training and Learning Bureau and Edunet Foundation, hosted a comprehensive 6-Day Student Development Programme on Green AI from 20th January 2025 to 25th January 2025. The programme aimed to provide students with a deeper understanding of sustainable artificial intelligence practices and their real-world applications.



## EXPLORING CAREER PATHS IN THE ARMED FORCES

On 24-01-2025, NCC, CDC & Students Council hosted a Career Guidance Session on Armed Forces with Major Simranpreet Singh Gill, Group HQ, Coimbatore. The session provided insights into defense careers, recruitment,

and training, inspiring students to explore this path.

# Aarupadai Veedu Institute of Technology, Chennai

## LAKE RESTORATION INITIATIVE

On 6th January 2025, the Rotaract Club of Madras and Exnora International Foundation participated in a lake restoration survey at Perungalathur, Chennai. A group of 50 students from AVIT actively took part in the initiative,



contributing to the successful completion of Phase 1 of the project. Their efforts played a crucial role in assessing the lake's condition and laying the groundwork for future restoration activities.

# Vinayaka Mission's Annapoorana College of Nursing, Salem

## JOURNAL CLUB PRESENTATION

On January 21, 2025, Mrs. K. Parasakthi, Assistant Professor in Community Health Nursing at Vinayaka Mission's Annapoorana College of Nursing (VMACON), Salem, delivered a journal club presentation. The session focused



on current research and developments in community health nursing, providing valuable insights to faculty and students.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Discover the exciting lineup of upcoming events at VMRF, spanning seminars, workshops, conferences, and faculty development programs. From cutting-edge research presentations to hands-on skill-building sessions, these events promise to offer valuable insights and inspire professional growth across various fields.

## Vinayaka Mission's Annapoorana College of Nursing, Salem

### **NSS TO COMMEMORATE NATIONAL VOTERS DAY**

The National Service Scheme will observe National Voters Day, focusing on creating awareness about the importance of voting and encouraging responsible citizenship among students.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDENT CLUB TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL CLEANLINESS DAY**

The Environmental Student Club is set to commemorate National Cleanliness Day by promoting cleanliness initiatives and encouraging environmental responsibility through a variety of activities and campaigns.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem

### **AN FDP BY IQAC TO ENHANCE TEACHING, RESEARCH, AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH**

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) is planning to conduct a Faculty Development Programme aimed at enhancing teaching methodologies, research skills, and the overall professional development of faculty members.

## **RIT TO MARK WORLD CANCER DAY WITH AWARENESS AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

The Department of Radiology & Imaging Technology is set to observe World Cancer Day with activities focused on raising awareness about cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment through educational programs, health camps, and community outreach initiatives.

## **Vinayaka Mission's Kirupananda Variyar Engineering College, Salem**

### **CSE AND INFOSYS TO ORGANIZE FACULTY ENABLEMENT PROGRAMME**

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering, in collaboration with Infosys, is planning to organize a Faculty Enablement Programme aimed at empowering faculty members with advanced skills, innovative teaching strategies, and updated knowledge in the field of computer science and engineering. This initiative seeks to enhance the quality of education and align it with industry standards.

### **CSE AND INFOSYS TO HOST STUDENT ENABLEMENT PROGRAMME**

The Department of CSE and Infosys are jointly organising a Student Enablement Programme, designed to equip students with essential technical and soft skills, foster industry readiness, and bridge the gap between academic learning and real-world challenges.

# NEWS & MEDIA

Step into our News & Media column, where we proudly spotlight the latest press coverage showcasing our university's remarkable achievements and impactful events. Get ready to be informed and inspired as we illuminate the recognition and accolades that affirm our unwavering dedication to excellence.

## School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem

**NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY**



**சேலம், ஜன.22-** விநாயகா மிஷனின் விம்ஸ் மருத்துவமனை வளாகத்தில் உள்ள அலைடு ஹெல்த் சயின்ஸ் துறையில் பாலின உணர்நிறம் அடையின் மூலம் தேசிய பெண் குழந்தைகள் தினம் கௌரவிக்கப்பட்டு, நிகழ்ச்சிக்கு தலைமையிடம் செந்தில்மூர்த்தி முன்மொழிவு வழங்கினார். தொடர்ந்து சமூகத்தில் பெண்கள் முன்னேற்றம் என்ற தலைப்பில் மாணவர்களிடையே பேசினார். இதில் சிறப்பு அழைப்பாளிகளாக வொண்டர் நிழ்ச்சி தொகுப்பாளிகள் கிந்தனா, தி.ஷிவி, இலக்ஷ்மி, விஜயா மற்றும் விஜயா ஆகியோர் கலந்து கொண்டனர். பெண் குழந்தைகளுக்கான பல்வேறு அளவில் நிதியுதவிகள், சட்டப்பணம் குறித்து விவரங்கள் அளித்து உற்சாகமூட்டி, சமூகத்தில் திறம்பட செயலாற்றி வருபவர்களை பெண் குழந்தைகளுக்கான பல்வேறு அளவில் நிதியுதவிகள், சட்டப்பணம் குறித்து விவரங்கள் அளித்து உற்சாகமூட்டி, விழாவில் தலை மாணவர்களின் கலை நிகழ்ச்சிகள் நடந்தன. கிந்தனா ஏற்பாடுகளை தலைமையிடம் பாலின உணர்நிறம் அடையின் தலைவர் நிழ்ச்சி, ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் அலிதாபா, சிவாஞ்சனி ஆகியோர் செய்திருந்தனர்.

**NATIONAL VOTERS DAY**



**சேலம், ஜன.25-** சேலம் விநாயகா மிஷனின் விம்ஸ் மருத்துவமனை வளாகத்தில் உள்ள அலைடு ஹெல்த் சயின்ஸ் துறையின் நாட்டு நலப்பணித்திட்டம் மற்றும் தேசிய மாணவர் படை அமைப்பின் மூலம் தேசிய வாக்காளர் தின உறுதிமொழி ஏற்பு நிகழ்வானது பல்கலைக்கழக வேந்தர் டாக்டர் கணேசன் வழிகாட்டுதலின்படி கல்லூரி வளாகத்தில் நடத்தப்பட்டது. இந்த நிகழ்ச்சிக்கு துறையின் மன் பேராசிரியர் டாக்டர் செந்தில்குமார் முன்மொழிவு வழங்கினார். இதில் துறையை சேர்ந்த அனைத்து மாணவர்களும் வாக்களிப்பதின் முக்கியத்துவம் சார்ந்த உறுதிமொழி ஏற்பு முயற்சியை ஏற்றனர். இதில் மாணவர்கள், பேராசிரியர்கள், அலுவலக பணியாளர்கள் கலந்துகொண்டனர். இதற்கான ஏற்பாடுகளை துறையின் நாட்டு நலப்பணித்திட்ட உறுப்பினர்கள் மற்றும் தேசிய மாணவர் படை உறுப்பினர்கள் செய்திருந்தனர்.

# REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION



சென்னை, ஜூன் 27-  
விநாயகா மிஷன்ஸ் வில்லம் மருத்துவமனை வளாகத்தில் உள்ள அணிநிற ஹெலித் சயிள்ஸ் துறையில் குடியரசு தின விழா கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. நாட்டு நலப்பணித் திட்டமும், தேசிய மாணவர் மாண்பு அமைச்சர் இளைத்து நடத்திய விழாவுக்கு துறையின் மன் செந்திரிகுமார் முன்னிலை வகித்தார். தேசியக் மாணவர் மாண்பின் அணிநிற ஹெலித் சயிள்ஸ் துறையின் மன் செந்திரிகுமார் தேசியக் கோடிமலர் ஒத்தி வைத்து குடியரசு தின உலாபயாற்றினார். தேசியத்தின் மையம் மற்றும் வகையின் மாணவர்களின் துணை, பிரமிடு, சிலம்பம், மெகா உள்சிட்டி கலைநிகழ்ச்சிகள் நடந்தன. டெசிக், கட்டுரை, ஓவியம் உள்சிட்டி, டெடிமென்ட் நடத்தப்பட்டது. வெற்றி பெற்றவர்களுக்கு பரிசுகளும், சான்றிதழும் வழங்கப்பட்டன. ஏற்பாடுகளை நாட்டு நலப்பணித்திட்டம், தேசிய மாணவர் மாண்பு அமைச்சர் மூலம் தலைமைப்பாளர்கள் தலைமையில், தங்க குமார், உட்கூப்பிரிசி இயக்குநர்கள் ஜெயராஜி, சூர்யா ஆகியோர் செய்து இருந்தனர்.

## NEW FACULTY



### SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES, SALEM

Mr. Suriya M. Optometry has joined as Assistant Professor in the Department of Optometry

### SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES, PUDUCHERRY



Ms. Jain George, MDS in Oral pathology has joined as Assistant Professor in the Department of Anatomy and Physiology



### VINAYAKA MISSION'S KIRUPANANDA VARIYAR ENGINEERING COLLEGE, SALEM

Mr. Iniyan, B.Sc. MBA has joined as Assistant Professor in the Department of Business Administration

# NOTABLE ALUMNI

At VMRF, our commitment to career development begins from the outset. Our students gain the skills needed to excel in today's fast-paced workplaces. With personalized support, we ensure that each student emerges as a competitive candidate, ready to make their mark in the workforce.

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**Ms. Nissy**

**At VMACON:** B.Sc. Nursing, 2017

**After VMACON:** Charge Nurse

Prince Abdulaziz Bin MUSAAD Hospital

Saudi Arabia



## School of Allied Health Sciences, Salem



**Mr. Rajesh Adhikari**

**At SAHS, Salem :** Radiology & Imaging Technology, 2018

**After SAHS, Salem :** Product Specialist

WIPRO GE Healthcare,

West Bengal, India

**Mr. K. Charlie Daniel**

**At SAHS, Salem :** Radiology & Imaging Technology, 2022

**After SAHS, Salem :** Assistant professor,  
Medical Imaging Technology,  
Koshys Group of Institutions, Bangalore.



## Aarupadai Veedu Institute of Technology, Chennai



**Mr. Anthony Aalex Chandar J**

**At AVIT:** ECE, 2021

**After AVIT:** SASTRA Chennai Campus  
Operation executive  
India

**Mr. Anupam Verma**

**At AVIT:** CSE, 2009

**After AVIT:** Associate Vice President (Technology)  
Healthfirst Technology, Hyderabad, India



**Mr. Sudarsan**

**At AVIT:** Manufacturing Engineering, 2023

**After AVIT:** Team leader  
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# VMRF 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL LIBRARIANS MEET AND TRAINING PROGRAMME



**T**he VMRF 2nd Annual Librarians Meet and Training Programme was held on January 30 and 31 at the Vinayaka Missions Chennai Campus, bringing together library professionals from all constituent institutions located at Salem, Puducherry, Karaikal, and Paiyanoor under one roof. This two-day event aimed to foster collaboration, knowledge-sharing, and professional development among library professionals.

The event was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. A Nagappan, Registrar, VMRF DU. He underscored the evolving role of librarians, positioning them as departmental leaders responsible for driving innovation and enhancing the visibility of libraries as dynamic hubs of knowledge and engagement. In his welcome address, Prof. P. Rajasekaran, Deputy Registrar-Admin, VMRF DU emphasised the critical role of our libraries in supporting academic excellence and

fostering innovation across all disciplines for our Vision 2030. Initially mooted by Prof. Buddhi Prakash Chauhan, Advisor, VMRF Libraries, the Annual Meet aims to expose our librarians to the diverse practises and resources across the university's, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of their work environments.

While the 1st Meet held in August 2023, focused on developing various SOPs for libraries as a group effort by all librarians, this year meet's unique feature was the focus on the transformative role of libraries as centres of innovation and resource management. In the Meet, all the librarians shared the best practices from each of the libraries. All librarians also visited the two campus libraries and appreciated the best practices and offered suggestions. Among the staff development component of the event, were hands-on training on KOHA automation system led by Mr Jayaram Gouda, Librarian, O.P. Jindal Global University, VMRF digital library admin management led by Dr. Nanthini R O, Digital Librarian, VMRF-DU, and a workshop on work

etiquette culture for librarians led by Ms Hemalatha Manu Anand, MD, Panacea Valley Consulting. The Meet concluded with a valedictory address by Dr. Ananth Padmanabhan, Dean, Vinayaka Mission's Law School, who highlighted the critical need for librarians to re-inculcate reading habits among people that have diminished in the wake of OTT and social media culture. The session concluded with the distribution of certificates and mementos to all attendees and support team.

**Cultural Dinner :** As part of the Librarians Meet, a vibrant cultural dinner was organized at the VMLS Atrium. Students from the SAS, AVIT, and VMLS actively participated, adding to the event's enthusiasm. The event was presided over by Thiru Mathew, Joint Registrar (HR), VMRF-DU, who delivered an inspiring speech and distributed prizes. The SAS team coordinated the evening exceptionally well, making it a grand celebration filled with entertainment, ensuring a memorable experience for the librarians.

**VMRF Book exhibition & Sale :** VMRF also arranged for a Book Exhibition & Sale at the Outdoor auditorium, where our empanelled vendors Atlantic Publishers & Distributors, Shanti Books and Lexis Nexis - Law Publishers brought the latest books from top publishers including Springer, Routledge, Taylor & Francis, Oxford

University Press etc. The AVIT Board of Studies and all faculty members of the campus visited the exhibition and recommended books for our libraries. This exhibition was very useful in preparing the reading list for the revision of syllabus that is currently going on at the engineering college. The entire event's success was made possible through the support of all the campus colleges, which provided space and facilities. The entire campus team ensured smooth operations by managing transport, food, photography, cultural programs, and other logistical arrangements. The Meet was organised by Dr Nanthini R O, Digital Librarian, co-organised by Mr Subhaveerapandian, Manager (Planning & Coordination), both belonging to the Central Resource Team, VMRF Libraries. Mr R Sreethar, Chief Librarian, VMCC Central Library and Ms. Josna M, Librarian, VMLS played a significant role in coordinating the entire events and making it a grand success. Hon'ble Chancellor Dr. A.S. Ganesan appreciated the efforts of the organising committee and the interests of the participants.





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