

October 2025

www.xup.ac.in

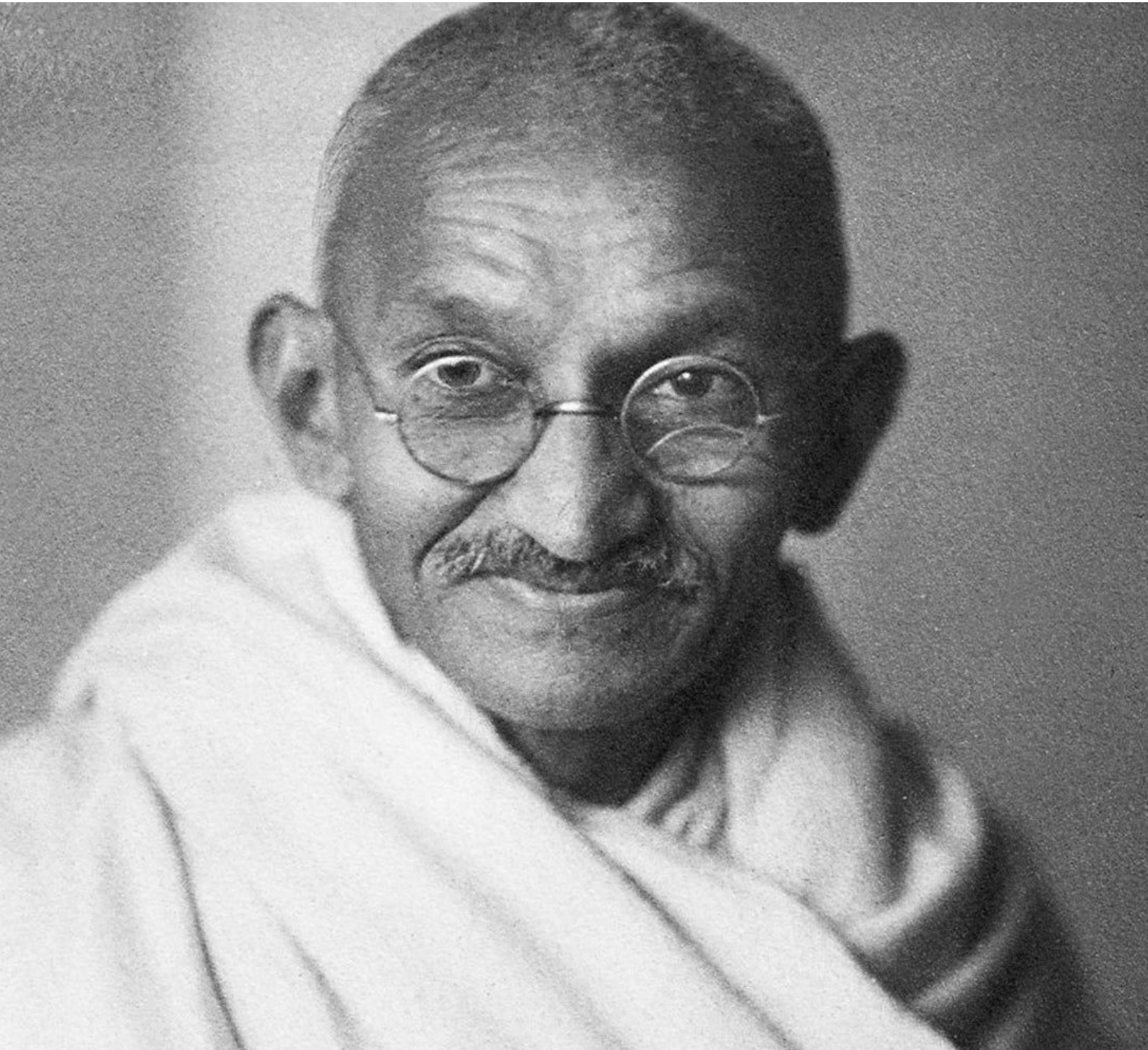
Vol. 3 No.14, Pages 16

Xaverian Buzz

An Initiative of the Department of Journalism & Mass Communication

Under the aegis of IQAC

A Monthly Chronicle of Campus News



Xavier University, Patna
&

St. Xavier's College of Management & Technology

Digha-Aashiyana Road, Digha Ghat, Patna- 800011, Bihar

Website: www.xup.ac.in

From the Editor's Desk

Harnessing the Infinite Potential



The Youth: Architects of Bihar's Destiny

As Bihar approaches the pivotal assembly elections of November 2025, the air is thick with political calculations and promises. Yet, beyond the rhetoric of established parties, lies the most potent and underutilized force for change: the youth of Bihar. This election is not merely a political event; it is a generational opportunity, and the young voters must seize it to script a new chapter of progress for their state.

With a significant portion of the electorate comprising first-time and young voters, their collective voice can be the decisive factor. For too long, Bihar's narrative has been dominated by issues of caste and identity. The youth have the power to shift this discourse towards a development-centric agenda. Their demands must be clear and non-negotiable: quality education that leads to employability, not just degrees; a healthcare system that functions; and an ecosystem that fosters entrepreneurship and creates jobs beyond government posts.

Merely being a demographic majority is not enough. Their role must be active, not passive. This means moving beyond social media

cynicism to on-ground registration, informed debate, and most importantly, casting their vote. They must critically analyze manifestos, question candidates on their vision for skill development and digital infrastructure, and hold them accountable for past promises.

The youth are not just beneficiaries of progress; they are its engines. Their energy, innovation, and connection to a globalized world can propel Bihar from being a state of migrant labour to a hub of talent and enterprise. By voting for issues that secure their future, they are voting for the future of Bihar itself. In 2025, let the ballot box resonate with the aspirations of a new generation, determined to build a Bihar that they are proud to inherit and empowered to transform. The power to choose progress is in their hands. They must use it wisely.

Happy reading!

Abhishek Anand

Chief Editor

THE SHEPHERDS

Patrons

Fr. Joseph Sebastian SJ (Rector)
Fr (Dr) Martin Poras SJ (Principal)
Fr (Dr) Sherry George SJ (Vice Principal)

Editor-in-Chief & Designer

Abhishek Anand
(Asst. Professor, Dept. of English)

Bridging the Gap: Xavier's Session Guides

Students from Campus to Career

The journey from the lecture hall to the office can feel like a giant leap. To help navigate this transition, the Placement Cell of St. Xavier's College of Management & Technology recently hosted an insightful session, "From Classroom to Cubicle / College to Corporate."

Held in Kalam Hall, the event was packed with final-year students eager to chart their course for the professional world.

Mr. Piyush R. Sahay, Head of the Placement Cell, set the tone by officially welcoming the expert speakers and encouraging students to see this as the starting pistol for their corporate journey.

The session was led by two distinguished guides: Dr. Prithvi Bose, a management expert, and Dr. Pramod Kumar (Ph.D., IIT Bombay). Dr. Bose kicked things off with a powerful perspective, discussing the realities of the modern economy and drawing inspiration from the career paths of leaders like Satya Nadella and Sundar Pichai. He made it clear that success isn't just about grades—it's about a powerful combination of skills, strategy, and smart positioning.

He brought this to life by urging students to master

the fundamentals of marketing—the 4Ps, STP, and AIDA—treating them as essential tools, not just textbook concepts. To bridge theory with practice, he strongly recommended gaining real-world experience through professional certifications, internships, and volunteering.

The advice was refreshingly practical. Students were encouraged to think of their CV as their personal "product brochure"—a document that needs to sell their unique value. The session also provided a toolkit for tackling the hiring process, with strategic tips for interviews and group discussions.

Beyond the immediate job hunt, the speakers highlighted the long game. They stressed the undeniable power of building a network, finding a mentor, and understanding what top MBA programs look for, framing these as critical investments in a future leader's career.

The session struck a perfect balance, leaving students not just inspired but equipped. It transformed the daunting "corporate world" into a navigable path, providing a clear and actionable roadmap to help them confidently take their first steps from college to career.



A Glimpse into the Future: BCA Students Dive into the World of AI & ML

Our final-year BCA students were treated to a fantastic session that brought the future to life, led by the experienced Mr. Piyush Pandey. He took them on a journey through the real-world magic of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML), moving far beyond textbook definitions.

Mr. Pandey started by skillfully untangling the often-confused concepts of AI and ML, explaining their unique roles in shaping modern technology. But the real excitement began when he showed us how these technologies are actually being used. He painted a vivid picture of AI in action across diverse fields—from life-saving diagnostics in healthcare and smart algorithms in finance, to personalized learning in education and the logistics powering e-commerce and transportation.

What made the session so memorable was its interactive nature. Mr. Pandey didn't just lecture; he encouraged a constant flow of questions, shared stories from his own experiences, and even ran live demonstrations. Seeing AI applications work in real-time turned complex ideas into something tangible and incredibly exciting.

The session was more than just informative; it was a genuine inspiration. Students walked away not only with a clearer understanding of AI and ML but also with a sparked enthusiasm to build the skills that will define the next generation of tech innovators. Mr. Pandey left us all feeling motivated to start applying these powerful tools in our own projects and future careers.



Student Development Program on Career Attitude

The Placement Cell of St. Xavier's College of Management and Technology, Patna, organized a Student Development Program on "Developing a Winning Attitude for Career" at De Nobili Hall. The session was led by Dr. Prashant Pareek, Executive Alumnus of IIM-Indore, AIMA-accredited faculty, Associate Professor at Shanti Business School, Ahmedabad, and author of "Brand Magic – The Art and Science of Creating Successful Brands." Dr. Pareek highlighted the importance of resilience, adaptability, and a positive mindset as key drivers of

career success. He shared practical strategies to help students build the right attitude for navigating professional challenges and growth. Dr. Piyush R. Sahay, Head of the Placement Cell, welcomed the guest and thanked him for guiding and motivating the students. The interactive session included open discussions and a Q&A round, making it a highly engaging and insightful experience for participants. The program left students inspired to pursue their career paths with greater confidence and determination.



LinkedIn Profile Building Session

The Department of Computer Applications, in collaboration with the Placement Cell, organized an engaging session on “How to Build a Strong LinkedIn Profile” for BCA Semester III students on 17th September 2025. The session was conducted by Mr. Sourav Kumar, Founder of Quad AI, who has over 11 years of rich experience spanning Tata Steel, startups such as *OfBusiness* and *Baya*, and an MBA from FMS Delhi. With his excellent presentation skills, he made the session highly engaging and interactive, sharing practical insights

on creating impactful profiles, enhancing professional visibility, and leveraging LinkedIn for career growth. Students actively participated and gained valuable guidance on profile optimization, networking, and personal branding. The Placement Cell played a vital role in coordinating this initiative, ensuring students received exposure to industry-relevant knowledge. Overall, the session proved to be both informative and inspiring, motivating students to present themselves effectively in the professional world.



Six-Day Faculty Development Programme

Xavier University, Patna, under the aegis of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), successfully organized a Six-Day Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on “Innovation, Creativity, and Emerging Trends in Teaching and Research” from 19th to 25th September 2025. The programme was designed to provide faculty members with a platform to explore modern pedagogical strategies, creative approaches to teaching, and emerging tools of research that can enhance academic excellence.

The FDP commenced on 19th September 2025 with a Welcome Address by Fr. Dr. Sherry George, SJ, Registrar, Xavier University, who emphasized the vital role of faculty in shaping future generations. The Keynote Address was delivered by Prof. Anunaya Chaubey, Provost Emeritus, Anant National University, Ahmedabad, who underlined the transformative power of creativity in education. The first academic session, led by Dr. Anurag Ambasta, Dean, School of Arts and Humanities, Xavier University, introduced participants to Design Thinking in Teaching, highlighting its application for student-centric and innovative classrooms.

The following days witnessed an enriching series of lectures and discussions. On Day 2, Prof. Shankar Purbey from DMI Patna emphasized designing courses for higher-order learning, while Dr. Rachna Thakkar, Dean Academics, Xavier University, spoke on Teaching for Transfer, stressing the importance of knowledge application across contexts.

Day 3 featured Dr. Sweta, Head of PMIR, A.N. College, Patna, who shared insights on faculty-led reforms for improving higher education in Bihar, followed by Prof. Khagendra Kumar, Patna University, who discussed policy shifts and the

impact of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

On Day 4, Prof. Smriti Singh, IIT Patna, presented innovative pedagogical practices, while Dr. Piyush Ranjan Sahay, Dean, School of Management, Xavier University, guided participants through the complete journey of research—from problem formulation to publication.

Day 5 explored new learning methodologies with Mr. Rajesh Pandey, Founder, Anand Training Consultancy, who introduced frameworks for adult learning, and Dr. Supriya Shree, Xavier University, who demonstrated the role of Artificial Intelligence in transforming teaching and research practices.

The final academic session on Day 6 was conducted by Ms. Shilpa Sharma, Head, Department of Management, Xavier University, who emphasized the student-centric vision of NEP 2020 and the importance of accommodating diverse learning styles.

The Valedictory Session was graced by Dr. Sunil Kumar, Associate Dean (Academics) and Professor of Practice, Chandragupt Institute of Management, Patna (CIMP), who served as the Chief Guest. He was felicitated by Fr. Sherry George, S.J., Registrar, Xavier University, in recognition of his contribution to academics and leadership.

The FDP concluded with participants expressing gratitude for the opportunity to engage with thought leaders and to learn practical tools for advancing both teaching and research. The programme not only offered new perspectives but also inspired faculty to bring innovation, creativity, and policy awareness into their classrooms.

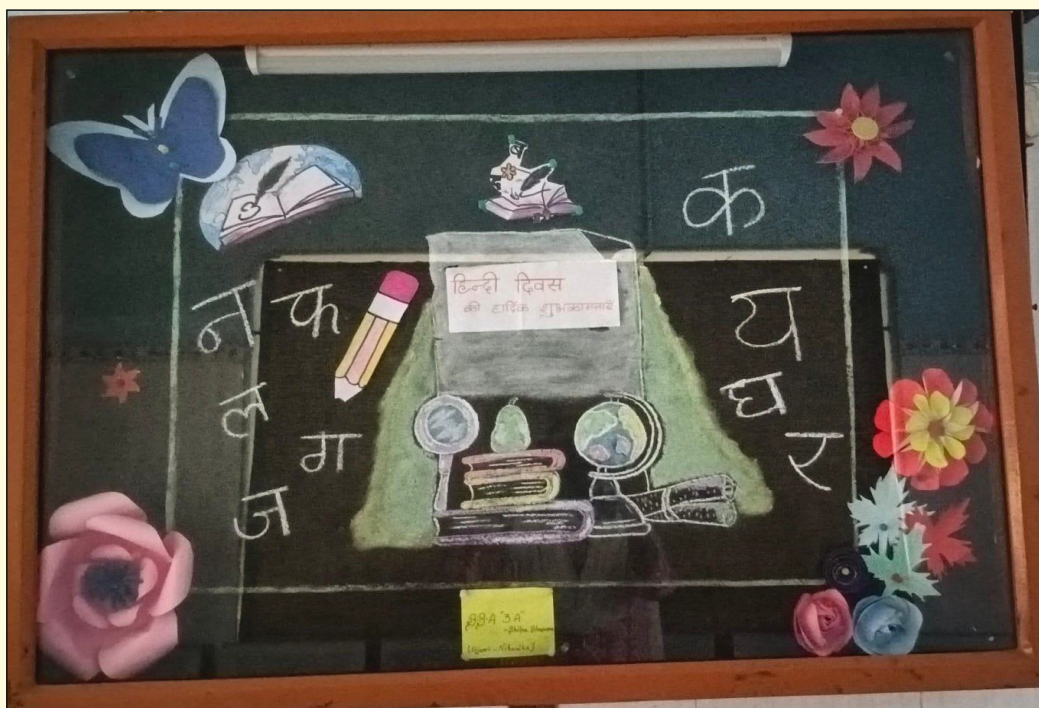
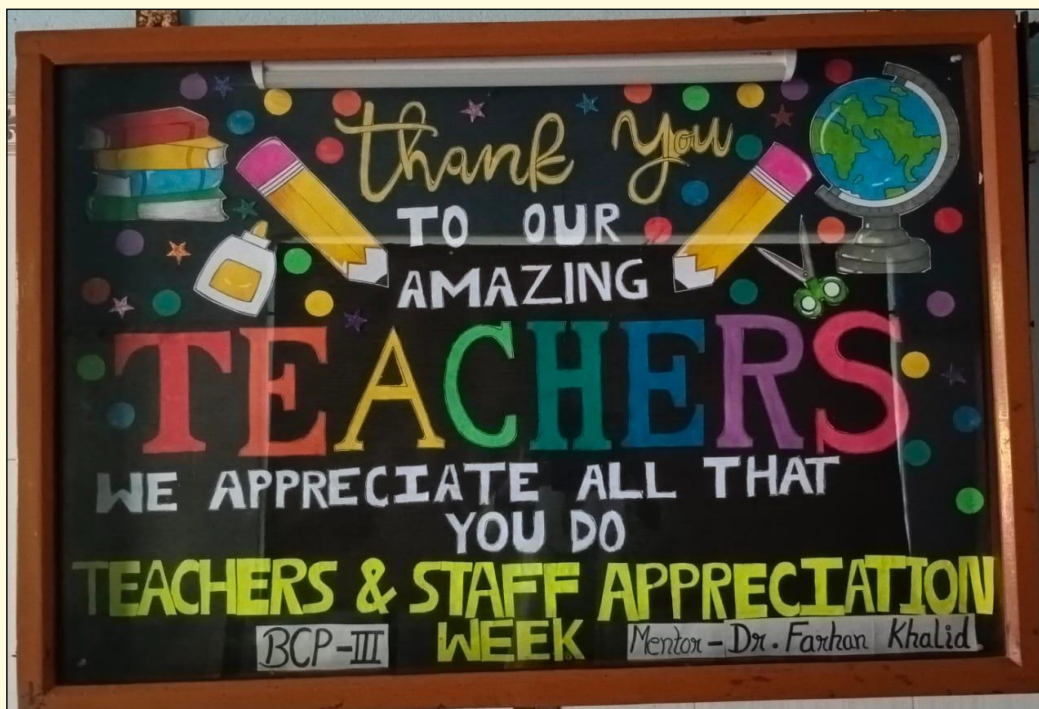
This six-day journey was truly a blend of learning, reflection, and forward-looking ideas, leaving participants motivated to enrich the academic environment of Xavier University and beyond.



Celebrating Values through Culture, Knowledge, and Faith

For September 2025, the prayer notice board was decorated on the themes of Teacher's Day, Hindi Diwas, International Day of Democracy, and Navratri. Each theme carried a special message—honouring the guiding role of teachers, celebrating the richness of language, valuing democratic principles, and reflecting the cultural and spiritual devotion of Navratri.

The decorations not only added vibrancy to the school environment but also encouraged students to embrace the values of respect, cultural pride, responsibility, and faith. Through these creative expressions, the prayer board continued its role in promoting harmony, inclusivity, and shared human values.



Xavier University Celebrates Staff Day - 2025

Xavier University reaffirmed its unique tradition of celebrating Staff Day alongside Teachers' Day, honoring both educators and the vital administrative and maintenance staff. This practice underscores the university's core belief that a supportive learning environment is built by every member of its community.

The celebration featured a graceful prayer dance, a heartfelt poem by students Tarunima and Astitva, and a soulful musical tribute from the Dhwani Club. The event was enlivened with games and a

performance by the Dance Club. A particularly moving moment came when maintenance staff member Mr. Cyril Tirkey shared his gratitude with the students.

The festivities concluded with the Student Council presenting gifts as tokens of appreciation, followed by a communal lunch. This annual event serves as a powerful reminder that respect, gratitude, and inclusivity are central values at Xavier, and that an institution's success rests on the dedication of its entire community.



Session on Media Literacy

The Department of Mass Communication at Xavier University organized a special session on "Media Literacy" to equip students for the digital age. The event aimed to hone critical thinking skills and foster a deeper understanding of media's societal role.

Senior Journalist Shiv Pujan Jha, the distinguished resource person, drew upon his decades of

experience. He provided valuable insights into how media shapes public opinion and stressed the importance of ethical journalism and responsible consumption. Through interactive discussions, students gained practical skills to better evaluate media messages and distinguish credible information from misinformation, empowering them to become more discerning media citizens.



हिंदी दिवस समारोह

सेंट जेवियर्स कॉलेज ऑफ मैनेजमेंट एंड टेक्नोलॉजी और जेवियर यूनिवर्सिटी ने 13 सितंबर, 2025 को हिंदी दिवस को उत्साह और सांस्कृतिक जोश के साथ मनाया। इस अवसर पर एक स्वरचित हिंदी काव्य पाठ प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया। इस कार्यक्रम ने हिंदी भाषा की समृद्धि और छात्रों की रचनात्मक अभिव्यक्तियों को उजागर किया।

प्रतियोगिता में उल्लेखनीय भागीदारी देखी गई, जिसमें साक्षी ने प्रथम पुरस्कार प्राप्त किया, उसके बाद दूसरे स्थान पर आदिती और तीसरे स्थान पर तरुणिमा रहीं। उनकी मर्मस्पर्शी कविताओं ने हिंदी की सुंदरता, शक्ति और सांस्कृतिक गहराई को दर्शाया।

इस उत्सव से पूर्व, 8 सितंबर, 2025 को शैक्षणिक गतिविधि समिति द्वारा कॉलेज और विश्वविद्यालय के प्रोफेसरों के लिए विशेष रूप से एक निबंध लेखन प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया था। इस अनूठी पहल के विजेता थे:

- श्री अभिषेक आनंद (अंग्रेजी विभाग) – तीसरा स्थान
- श्रीमती प्रिया मनीष कुमार (जन संचार विभाग) – दूसरा स्थान

- श्री विकास कुमार (प्रमुख, जन संचार विभाग) – प्रथम स्थान

दिन के गौरव को और बढ़ाते हुए, संस्थान के लड़कों और लड़कियों की कबड्डी टीमों, जिन्होंने हाल ही में आईएसएम इंटर-कॉलेज स्पोर्ट्स मीट "पिन्नेकल" में स्वर्ण पदक जीतकर संस्थान का गौरव बढ़ाया था, को उनकी उपलब्धि के लिए प्रमाण पत्रों से सम्मानित किया गया।

इस अवसर पर बोलते हुए, मुख्य अतिथि और जाने-माने कवि श्री शहंशा आलम ने एकता और अभिव्यक्ति की भाषा के रूप में हिंदी के महत्व और छात्रों तथा शिक्षकों दोनों में भाषाई गौरव और सर्वांगीण विकास को बढ़ावा देने में इस तरह के आयोजनों की भूमिका पर प्रकाश डाला।

यह उत्सव सांस्कृतिक और खेल संबंधी उपलब्धियों में कृतज्ञता और सामूहिक गौरव की भावना के साथ संपन्न हुआ, जो जेवियर की सभी आयामों में प्रतिभा को पोषित करने की प्रतिबद्धता को दर्शाता है।



हिंदी दिवस

हिंदी है स्वर , हिंदी है सार
जोड़े जो सबके मन के तार
संस्कृति की डोर , इतिहास की शान
हिंदी में बसा सारा हिंदुस्तान

मन की बात , माटी की खुशबू
गंगा सी निर्मल धारा है
शब्दों में जिसकी सरल मिठास
दिल से दिल तक का सहारा है

आधुनिकता की दौड़ में भी
मूल्यों की पहचान यही
तकनीक संग जब चलती है
भविष्य का अभिमान यही

कोई साधारण सी वाणी नहीं
संपूर्ण एक कहानी है
हिंदी हमारे जड़ों की
अखिल अटल निशानी है

अंग्रेजी के साए में भी
अपना रूप निखारा है
अपमानित होकर भी जिसने
सदा हमें संवारा है

आओ मिलकर यह संकल्प करें
हिंदी का मान बढ़ाना है
हिंदी बोलने से लजाते जो
अज्ञान उनका मिटाना है

हिंदी केवल एक भाषा नहीं
अपनी पहचान हर घड़ी है
विचार से व्यवहार तक की
यह तो अटूट कड़ी है ।।

हिंदी...
यह केवल शब्द नहीं है,
यह हमारी आत्मा की गूंज है।

करते हैं तन-मन से वंदन, जन-गण-मन की अभिलाषा का
अभिनंदन अपनी संस्कृति का, आराधन अपनी भाषा का।

हिंदी है बचपन की पहली बोली,
माँ के आँगन की मीठी टोली।
झूले पर जो लोरी सुनाई,
वह हिंदी ही थी, जिसने नींद दिलाई

कबीर के दोहे जग को सँभालें,
तुलसी के शब्द दीपक बन झिलमिलाएँ।
मीरा की भक्ति, रहीम का विचार,
हिंदी में ढलकर हुए अमर अपार।

जब भारत पर अंधेरा छाया,
विदेशी शासन ने हक छीना साया।
तब "वंदे मातरम्" की हिंदी पुकार, hi
बनी hamari स्वतंत्रता ki Shan

आज भी देखो...
अगर मन में करुणा है और शब्द हिंदी में हैं,
तो व्यवहार सेवा में बदल जाता है।
अगर विचार ईमानदारी का है,
तो हिंदी में कहे गए वचन,
जीवनभर का व्रत बन जाते हैं

क्योंकि हिंदी है हमारी कड़ी,
जोड़े विचार से व्यवहार सदा जुड़ी।
हिंदी है अपना गौरव, सम्मान,
हिंदी है भारत की पहचान!

- अंकित

- साक्षी

A Celebratory End and a Promising Pledge: XEST 2025 Wraps Up

The annual youth arts and culture festival, XEST 2025, culminated in a spectacular finale of glitter, artistry, and exuberant competition. The day's champions were crowned across a range of events, with Shrinidhi Shreya winning the Speech contest through her articulate oration, Nissi Elena claiming the top spot in Classical Singing, and Venkat Raman emerging victorious in Western Singing. In dance, Udita Arya captivated the audience to win the Classical Dance title, while Jiya Kumari captured the crown in Western Dance with her dynamic performance. The grand Fashion Show

brought the evening to a dazzling peak, crowning Astitva as Mr. XEST and Arpita Singh as Miss XEST for their runway poise and originality. Following the awards, the Xavier Dance Club led a spirited dandiya performance, filling the night with rhythmic energy and a celebratory sense of community. As the curtains fell on one of the most memorable festivals to date, the organizers looked forward, promising an even more ambitious and enthralling event next year, complete with fresh themes and greater opportunities for the city's young talent to shine.



Can Deterrence Justify Preventive Detention?

- Abhishek Anand

Asst. Prof. Dept. of English

The detention of climate activist Sonam Wangchuk under the National Security Act (NSA) hinges on a critical legal question: whether the authorities properly applied their minds to the available evidence to achieve the "requisite subjective satisfaction" that his actions genuinely threatened public order or state security. Mr. Wangchuk, known for his hunger strike advocating for statehood and Sixth Schedule status for Ladakh, was detained following police action against violent protests in Leh. The central legal challenge is to determine if his activities crossed the threshold from a mere breach of 'law and order' into the more serious realm of disrupting 'public order.'

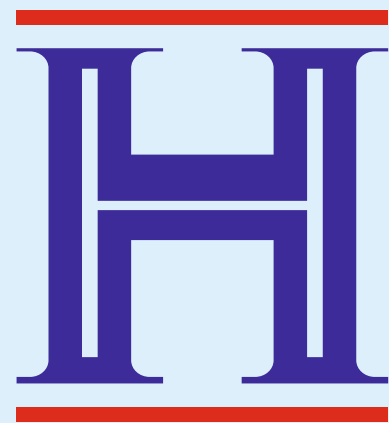
The Supreme Court has meticulously distinguished these two concepts. It has defined 'public order' as the "even tempo of life of the community," affecting society at large, whether nationally or within a specific locality. In contrast, 'law and order' has a wider ambit, encompassing acts like a public brawl that, while illegal, do not fundamentally disrupt the community's life. As the Court clarified, the distinction is one of "degree and extent of the reach of the act in question on society." The NSA empowers the state to detain individuals to prevent acts prejudicial to public order, but this power is not absolute. The judiciary has consistently mandated that the detaining authority must justify its decision based solely on the material before it, and this process of evaluation must be transparently reflected in the detention order itself. To prevent the

misuse of this draconian power, the Supreme Court has established strict guidelines. Authorities must base their "subjective satisfaction" only on "relevant and vital material," carefully applying their minds to pertinent facts while ignoring irrelevant ones. Crucially, the courts retain the authority to scrutinize whether this satisfaction was derived from objective facts or was tainted by "caprice, malice, or non-application of mind." The Court has repeatedly emphasized that preventive detention constitutes a severe invasion of personal liberty—a "drastic measure" that must be exercised with the utmost caution. It has explicitly stated that the state's inability to manage a law and order situation through ordinary legal channels is not a valid reason to invoke the NSA, and that even habitual criminality alone is an insufficient basis for preventive detention.

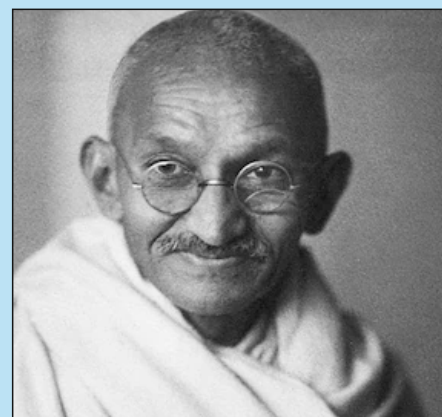
Furthermore, the judiciary remains skeptical of applying the 'broken windows theory' in this context—a criminological idea that tolerating minor disorders encourages more serious crime. In the realm of the NSA, this theory could be used to justify detaining an individual primarily as a deterrent message to others. However, the Supreme Court's jurisprudence suggests that such a rationale, which prioritizes sending a message over the individual's specific threat to public order, is an impermissible ground for depriving a person of their liberty under the preventive detention law.



THIS MONTH In HISTORY



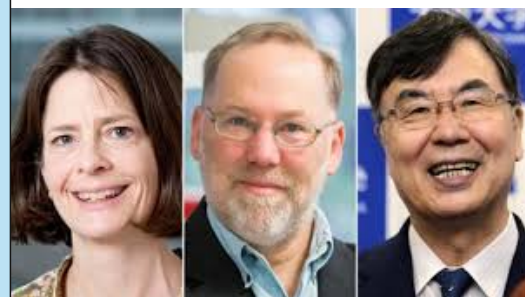
- October 1, 1949 - The People's Republic of China was founded with Mao Zedong as Chairman.
- October 2, 1869 - Birthday - Mohandas (Mahatma) Gandhi (1869-1948) was born in Porbandar, India.
- October 3, 1863 - President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation designating the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day.
- October 4, 1582 - The Gregorian Calendar took effect in Catholic countries as Pope Gregory XIII issued a decree stating the day following Thursday, October 4, 1582, would be Friday, October 15, 1582, correcting a 10-day error accumulated by the Julian Calendar. Britain and the American colonies adopted the Gregorian Calendar in 1752.
- October 12, 1822 - Brazil became independent of Portugal.
- October 13, 1884 - Greenwich was established as the universal time from which standard times throughout the world are calculated.



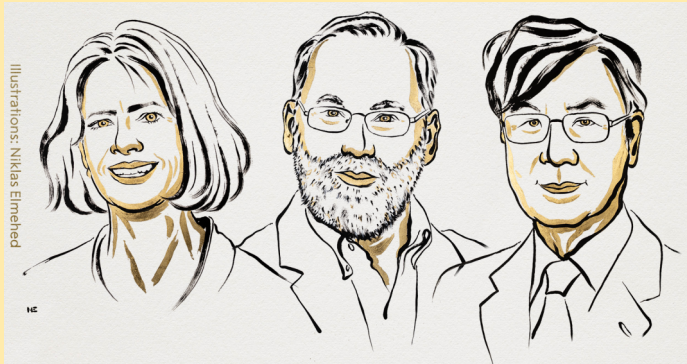
THE WORLD THIS MONTH

- The UGC has introduced a new rule mandating all foreign nationals studying in Indian Higher Education Institutions to register on the Study In India (SII) portal from the academic year 2025-26.
- NASA-ISRO NISAR Satellite Sends First Earth Images
- ISRO will launch Vyommitra, India's first humanoid robot, into space. This robot will play important role in the Gaganyaan mission, India's maiden human spaceflight programme
- The 2025 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine was awarded to Mary E. Brunkow, Fred Ramsdell, and Shimon Sakaguchi. Their work revealed how the immune system decides what to attack and what to protect

Nobel Prize in Physiology Winners (2025)



THE NOBEL PRIZE-2025



Mary E.
Brunkow

Fred
Ramsdell

Shimon
Sakaguchi

"for their discoveries concerning
peripheral immune tolerance"

THE NOBEL ASSEMBLY AT KAROLINSKA INSTITUTET

◀ IN PHYSIOLOGY



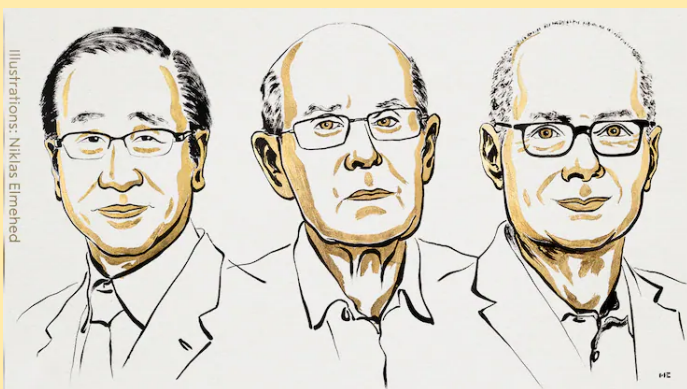
John
Clarke

Michel H.
Devoret

John M.
Martinis

"for the discovery of macroscopic quantum
mechanical tunnelling and energy quantisation
in an electric circuit"

IN PHYSICS ▶



Susumu
Kitagawa

Richard
Robson

Omar M.
Yaghi

"for the development of metal-organic frameworks"

◀ IN CHEMISTRY