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- Amit Holkar
CEO & Chief-Editor
THE INFIMIT

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-Mr. K.E. Raghunathan, CEO
D4E Network India Private Limited

NEW DELHI Jamia Millia Islamia-Central University

Safarnama

Department of Tourism & Hospitality Management,JMI successfully organized second edition of its cultural fest Safarnama'19 on 11-12 March2019. On the first day, a grand inaugural ceremony was organised at the Dr. M.A. Ansari Auditorium followed by a power pack performance of multiple plays by Shilpi Marwah & her Sukhmanch Theatre Group, which was well received by the audience.

The next session, witnessed a houseful auditorium cheering their hearts out for the Chief Guest Bollywood Actor, Zeeshan Ayyub for a Guftugu-e-Zindagi. The session had some intriguing & engaging set of questions for their favorite actor Zeeshan Ayyub to which he expressed his whole hearted gratitude.

A Gully Cricket & a PUBG tournament were organized for all the sports and video games enthusiasts at the CMS Lawn & Safdar Hashmi Amphitheater parallely which received a significant number of entries from every nook & cranny and all the winners were handsomely rewarded.

The second part of day one, witnessed some entertaining Dance performances where students displayed their creative moves for some well deserved cheering.

Treasure Hunt across the University Campus were the last things to conclude the exceptional inception day. The next day began with the whistle for an energetic Cycle Race where students put all the efforts to ace the pace across the campus, followed by some interesting display of Soccer skills at the CMS Lawn in Futsal, a Nukkad Natak competition, *Pukaar* was organized parallely where students from various colleges of Delhi NCR participated with an aim of prevailing awareness among the society regarding essential issues and provide some visual treat at the same time.

The Ansari Auditorium turned melodious as the audience hummed to the tunes & beats with the singing performances by the students. A vibrant and creative Fashion Show was put up by the students with some strong message of 'Reuse, Reduce & Recover'. Some face offs at the Arm Wrestling was all before the Group Dance performances put up by the students at the auditorium was much appreciated for its vibrance & energy. A pumpy & groovy DJ Night setting all legs in motion was the last thing from the organizers until next time.

JAPAN HIGHER EDUCATION & RESEARCH FAIR- 2019

The Japan Higher Education & Research Fair 2019 was organised at Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University) College of Engineering, Pune, in association withUniversity of Tokyo,on 31stJanuary 2019 at Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University) College of Engineering, Pune - Satara Road Campus, Pune.

The chief guests of the function were Mr. Hiroshi Yoshino, Director, University of Tokyo; Ms. Michiko Suzuki, Advisor for External Relations, Japan Student Services Organization; Dr. Umesh Joshi, Vice President, Mombusho Scholars Association of India

This Fair was designed to provide the students with detailed information about Japanese higher education and research by participating institutions in order to help the students select an appropriate school and achieve their academic pursuits, thereby promoting higher education, research and job opportunities in

Japan.

Seven Universities participated in the fair:

1. Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)
2. University of Aizu
3. Ritsumeikan University
4. Hokkaido University
5. Kyoto University
6. Kyushu University
7. The University of Tokyo

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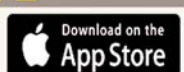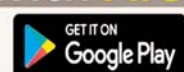
Expert Lecture by Prof Raj Kumar Malaviya at AICTE Sponsored short term course on Recent Advances on Passive and Active Components at High Frequencies During June 25th to 30th – 2018 at Department of Electronics Engineering IIT – BHU Varansi.

GOA   Don Bosco College of Engineering(DBCE)

Fourth India International Science Festival (IISF) 2018

An engineering student-undertaken project "Design and Fabrication of Disabled-Friendly Wheelchair" made it to the top 100 in the 'Student Engineering Model Competition', which was part of the Fourth India International Science Festival (IISF) 2018 organized by the Government of India's Ministry of Science and Technology, and Ministry of Earth Sciences in association with Vigyan Bharati, at Lucknow from October 5 to 8.IISF 2018 was inaugurated by the President of India in the presence of Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Minister of Science & Technology and the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh and was represented by approximately 10000 delegates including 5000 students, 550 teachers, 20 international delegates and approximately 200 startups.

The project, which was undertaken by students from the Don Bosco College of Engineering (DBCE), Fatorda, in their final year, was the only project from Goa selected among top 100 projects for the competition from over 2,200 submissions by students from all over the country and one of the 3 projects from engineering college selected by Goa Govt's department of Science & Technology to represent the state at IISF 2018

The project was among the 22 selected in the "Make in India" Category. Of the five students - Deepak Kolur, Saideep Naik, Anay Kalghatgi, Prashant Gaonkar, and Vinay Naik - who undertook the project, two of them, i.e. team leader Deepak Kolur and Saideep Naik, went to represent the state at Lucknow. The five students were guided by Prof.Swapnil Ramani and HOD, Mechanical Department, Prof.Ajit Salunke. Top government research agencies like DRDO,ISRO, HAL also displayed their projects at the festival.

Fire & Security Association of India (FSAI) Chapter Installed at DBCE

The Mechanical Engineering Department of Don Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda installed the student's Chapter of "Fire & Security Association of India" (FSAI). The Chief Guest for the Inaugural function was Mr. Ashok Menon, Director, Directorate of Fire & Emergency Services, Goa.Mr. Prem Nadar, Secretory FSAI Goa Chapter, DirectorFr. Kinley D'Cruz, Principal Dr. Neena Panandikar, HOD-Mechanical & Faculty Advisor, Prof. Ajit Salunke were also present on the dais.

Mr. Ashok Menon urged students to come up with innovative solutions in the field of Fire Safety and spoke about various courses available for engineers in the field of fire safety. Mr. Prem Nadar gave a brief summary of FSAI. Fr. Kinley D' Cruz urged the students to inspire peers by having a wider mission and vision to tackle upon challenges. Dr Neena Panandikar said that the primary aim of the Chapteris to promote awareness of fire safety and preparedness for emergency. Prof. Saurabh Raikar, Faculty Coordinatorintroduced the FSAI chapter leadership committee. Mr. Tejas Pandit, President welcomed the gathering and Mr. Rohit Prabhu, Joint Secretary proposed the vote of thanks. Later a seminar on "Industrial Safety" was organised and Mr.Suhas Naik, Chief OHS Consultant for S/N Safety Consultants, recognised OSH auditors, Govt. of Goa was the resource person. Around 160 students from Mechanical, Civil, ETC and Computer departments have registered as members of the FSAI chapter. Miss Shreelaxmi DesaiandMiss AlitheaFernandes are theSecretary and Treasurer respectively.

IGNITRON 2019

Intercollegiate event by Mechanical Engineering Students Hub of DBSE.

"IGNITRON 2019", a two day intercollegiate event organized by the Mechanical Engineering Students Hub of Bosco College of Engineering, Fatorda was inaugurated by South Goa MP, Adv. Narendra Sawaikar, who was the Chief Guest. Mr. Gautam Raj, Chief Production Manager, MRF Ltd., was the Guest of Honor. Dr. Vittal Tilvi, Scientist from NASA was the key note Speaker. Fr. Paul D'Souza, Rector, Fr. Kinley D' Cruz, Director, Prof. Ajit Salunke, HOD- Mechanical Department andProf. Suraj Marathe, MESH Coordinator were also present on the dais.

Students from colleges across the state participated in various events like Robowars, Torquiz,Dexigneretc. A Workshop on "Automobiles was conducted by Prof. Saurabh Raikar.

Mr. SatyaKolwalkar, Head, Manufacturing & Technology, Betts India Ltd. for South Asia & Africa Cluster was the Chief Guest fot the Valedictory function.

Tamil Nadu   Rathinam College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore

MERITORIOUS DAY AWARD FUNCTION

Rathinam College of Arts and Science organized its meritorious day award function on 16 March 2019 at 10.00 am in Rathinam College Auditorium, for the Academic year 2018-19. Merit Scholarship was given to the meritorious students based on their performance in the end semester examination, top three performers from each classeswere recognized (Total 309)and 904 placement offers were issued.

Dr. R. Muralidharan, Principal gave the welcome address, Dr.Madan A Sendhil, Chairman, Rathinam Groups of institution, took part in the meeting, presided by Prof. R. ManickamCEO Rathinam Groups of institution gave the presidential address&chief guest of the day Dr. M. Padmanabhan, Course coordinator& Director, IAS Academy, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, also addressed the gathering.

Interaction between the parents, students and department heads, teachers took place after the function.Mrs.T.M. Hemalatha, Head, Department of Commerce, gave the vote of thanks.

Tamil Nadu   Meenakshi Ramaswamy Engineering College, Ariyalur

Students of Meenakshi Ramaswamy Engineering College designed Four Stroke Engine Running With Compressed Air Without Fossil Fuels

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Tamil Nadu   SCAD COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

CONTEXT AWARENESS WITH MULTIPOINT TRANSMISSION USING NAVIGATIONAL NETWORK LOCATOR BY DEEP LEARNING TECHNIQUES
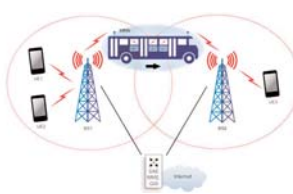
Wireless network designer and Communication engineers have a query on when, where and how mmWave will be used in volte+ network. The Future generation network is not only depends on radio access technology (RAT), but it make use of multiple access in downlink with multipoint transmission with presence of multilink distributed wireless channel information. Context awareness means that systems can sense and react their environment based on location which it can able to identify nearest network locator. The location of particular systems in a distributed network can be determined by Navigational Network Locator (NNL). Next, Vehicular Systems demand high data transfer links of mmWave communication. By the Convolution Neural Networks, it passes the result to the upcoming vehicular signal and multiple links shares the data to all mobile networks. The Enhanced Location Awareness Machine Learning (ELAML) combined with Mobile Edge Computing (MEC) technologies to enable multiple links ultra high speed data downloads. The real world implementations of Location based machine learning network architecture using traffic patterns are identified. A main conclusion of this paper is to implement multiple ultra high data rate with volte+ mmWave vehicular network.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the nation on 27 March 2019 to declare the success of Mission Shakti, India's test of an anti-satellite weapon. With this technological mission conducted by the DRDO, India becomes the fourth country, after US, China and Russia, with the capability to destroy a low-orbit satellite.

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Madhya Pradesh — Malwa Institute of Technology, Indore

Spandan
Holistic development is the need of the students to face Global Challenges.

Four day annual event (15 -19 March)"Spandan , the vibrant malwa 2019" begins with the magnificent inaugral ceremony at Malwa Institute of Technology Indore on 15 th March 2019 . The event was inaugurated by the management representative honourable Mr. Honey S. Bhatia ,Mrs. Bhatia, principal Dr. Rajeev G. Vishwakarma and vice principal Dr. Kranti Pandey.

Dr. Vishvarkama and Dr. Kranti Pandey welcomed the guest Mr. Bhatia and Mrs.Bhatia with Tulsi sapling. In his inaugural speech Dr. Vishwakarma expressed his views on the spirit of celebration and zeal. He also emphasised the need of the holistic development of the students to face the global challenges. As the theme of the day was group attire, all the members of faculty and students came in different group attire which gave a multicoloured view to the premises.

Quiz competition Brain Boosters, Back to 80's, photography event, Rodies were the other attractions of the first day celebration where students participated enthusiastically and made them all successful. Various events were conducted by Shivani Parashar,Himanshu Joshi, Aasiya Khan, Himanshu Shukla, Aashutosh Mandloi, and monitored and supervised by the faculty coordinator of respective events.

The second day 16 March 2019 of annual function Spandan 2019 was filled with colors and intellectual discourse . It observed the Mehndi, Rangoli, T Shirt Painting. Face Painting Debate Competition , Doj ball,PUBG , Robotics , where students presented their creativity and sporty enthusiasm.

The very third day 18 March 2019 created the magic of dance and music. solo , duet group dance and singing competition filled the atmosphere with electrifying energy with fabulous performances . It was an intercollege competition where more than 10 colleges participated and made it a huge success.

Management representative Mr. Honey Bhatia was the chief guest of the cultural program. Fun fair was the main attraction of the day where students set the stalls of food, game, tatoo making and many more. Judge of the program was Mrs. Bhatia, Principal Dr. Rajeev G Vishwakarma and Vice Principal Dr. Kranti Pandey. Cultural Program was judged by Ms. Pooja Somaya. Gujrati innovative rocked the show and secured first position in solo and duet dance competition, in group dance MIT got the first and second position. Program was anchored by Manasvi Sadhvani and Srajan Dikshit. Vote of thanks we're presented by Dr. Purnima Shrivastava.

The closing ceremony of Spandan2019 was marked with the gracious presence of eminent personalities. The program was commeenced by the lamp lighting session Mr. Mahesh Iyer SGSITS, Dr. Rakesh Saxena, Director SGITS,,Dr. Rajeev G.Vishwakarma Ptincipal MIT,, Dr. Kranti Pa dey Vice-Principal MIT and Dr. Trapti Shrama Principal Altius institute lit the lamp and started the ceremony.

Program was also graced by management representatives Mr. Honey Bhatia, Mrs. Ritu Madhok and Ms. Kamakshi Madhok later.

All the guests were welcomed by the Principal Dr. Rajeev G. Vishwakarma and Vice Principal Dr. Kranti Pandey. .

Mr. Mahesh Iyer, in his speech showed the path of success to the students and admired their efforts. Mr. R. K. Saxena enlightened the audience with his words of wisdom.

MIT witnessed the fabulous, colourful dance, music fervour of selected and winning performances.

Fantastic moves of beautiful and talented students thrilled and decorated the atmosphere with aesthetic touch. In traditional attire and theme students showed their talent in fashion show.

In Prize distribution ceremony winners were praised by the eminent guests for their efforts with trophy and certificates in various category.

Program was beautifully conducted by the young students of Malwa ,Kartika Hanwal, Himanshu Singh, Shivani Parashar, Himanshu Shukla, Shashank Dikshit and Aasiya Khan.

Uttar Pradesh — RAJKIYA ENGINEERING COLLEGE, AZAMGARH

find out innovative ideas for solving real time solutions.

Event Coordinators Mr. Anish Kumar (Left) and Mr. Amit Kumar (Right)

Mr. Tauseef Ahmad, Prof S.J.Wagh, Prof. C.V.Andhare, Prof. Munesh Chandra

M.P. — Truba Group of Institutions, Bhopal

टूबा ग्रुप ऑफ इंस्टीट्यूट भोपाल में वार्षिक समारोह टूबा यूथ फेस्ट-2019 को शुभारंभ किया गया। इस वार्षिकोत्सव में विभिन्न सांस्कृतिक, रचनात्मक, साहित्यिक, खेल-कूद एवं तकनीकी प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया। इस वर्ष उत्सव का शीर्षक 'अभिनंदन' देश भक्तों को समर्पित किया गया है। इन प्रतियोगिताओं में विभिन्न संस्थानों के छात्र एवं छात्राओं ने अपना जौहर व प्रतिभा दिखाई। इस कड़ी में तरकीब (ट्रेजर हन्ट), जायका (फायरलेस कुकिंग), चित्रकथा (स्टोरी प्रिसेंसन), सेल्फी कम्पीटिशन, सृजन (बेस्ट आउट ऑफ वेस्ट), बैठक (युवा संसद), खिचिक (फोटोग्राफी इवेन्ट), काव्य (पोईट्री), दंगल (वर्चुअल), प्रश्नोत्तरी क्यूज, चाय पर चर्चा (ग्रुप डिस्कशन), जोर का झटका (सरकिट डिजाईन), स्मारक (सेन्ड आर्ट), तराना (सिंगिंग), मोक्षपथ (यूमन स्नेक एड लेडर), बोल दो न जरा (फार्मा एक्सटेम कोर), बूझो तो जाने (ज्योमेट्रिक पिक्ट्योनरी) आदि प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया। सबसे ज्यादा आकर्षक मैदान-ए-जंग प्रतियोगिता (रोबोटिक वार कम्पटीशन) रही, जिसमें बीस से अधिक टीमों ने हिस्सा लिया। इस रोबो रेस में सात बाधाएं बनाई गई थी, जिसमें केवल 10 ही सफल रहीं। टीमें पूरा कर पाई। बाधाओं में 45 डिग्री कोण की खड़ी चढ़ाई एवं उतराव, एक मीटर तक गिड्डी व रेत की सड़क, एक मीटर का झूलता हुई ब्रिज, पवन चक्की से रोबो को बचाते हुये निकालना था, दो पैन्डुलम के साथ टाइम मैच करते हुए रोबो को निकालना, तीन मीटर वाली गीली कच्ची पगडंडी और एक मीटर की ऊँचाई से कूदना शामिल था। फेस्ट में प्रदेश समेत उत्तरप्रदेश, महाराष्ट्र, केरल, छत्तीसगढ़, राजस्थान, गुजरात की टीमों ने हिस्सा लिया। सोमवार का मुख्य आकर्षण वार ऑफ डीजे एवं सज-धज प्रतियोगिता (फैशन शो) था। कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ टूबा ग्रुप, भोपाल के संस्थापक श्री श्याम राठौर, श्री सुनील डंडीर द्वारा दीप प्रज्जवलन और सरस्वती वंदना के साथ हुआ। कार्यक्रम की सफलता पर प्राचार्य ने सभी का धन्यवाद किया।

Youth Fest 2K19

Rajkiya Engineering College, Azamgarh, U.P celebrated Innovation Day 2019 on 14/03/2019. The event featured innovative ideas, models, posters etc from the students of first to final year. Prof. S.J.Wagh, Government College of Engineering, Karad, Maharashtra, The Chief Guest addressed the students and motivated the students to focus on finding out innovative ideas for solving realtime solutions. The winners of the events were awarded with cash prize and certificates.

A student presenting her project

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IIT Delhi made history in 2018 by winning the General Championship (GC) at the 53rd Inter IIT Sports Meet held at IIT Guwahati. We had a grand celebration of this feat yesterday by felicitating the entire contingent.

GUJRAT — Vishwakarma Government Engineering College, Chandkheda

No more waiting at bus stations!

Vishwakarma Government Engineering College Students havedeveloped aLow-cost smart bus-tracking systemwhich allows the common man to easily track bus arrival and find the bus to take in order to reach a location in the shortest time. This will lead to less crowd and fast transit.

Speaking of which Karansingh Chauhan (9924677710) said, "This system when implemented will remove the uncertainty of time and the menace of finding which bus to take. Your smartphone can tell you when the bus will arrive and how long it will take to reach a location." The Students were felicitated and highly praised by the high-ranking officials from ISRO, CED (Centre for Entrepreneurship Development), DTE(Directorate of Technical Education) and IPR. The Officials Complimented the Solution as, a cost-effective and compact one at the VGEC SSIP conclave 2019.

Explaining the system, Ridham Dave [Team Leader](7817920140) said, "The primary advantage of this system is its Cost Effectiveness. In general, on-board tracking units cost around 4x times more in which we have achieved the same.. We havebridged the information gap of location which is a menace in City buses, this will eradicate the major problem of confusion of which bus to take well as easily find the fastest bus route to take. The system is designed to run from a Mobile App using user location."

This system will provide the exact analytics of bus arrival time and travel time which will be helpful in real time bus management on the basis of Machine Learning. "Real time analytics will also help in policy making and administrative purposes as bus routes can be changed, traffic better managed based on how long the bus requires to travel. So, now users can choose an appropriate bus route based on estimated arrival time", Exclaimed Jaydip Patel(9099921363).

"Many a times, there are multiple routes which a person can take to reach a location. However, people cannot know which will be the fastest. Sometimes you have to change buses at a particular bus station but you have to wait a long time for the next bus. Our app solves this issues of connecting buses to reduce waiting time." explained Prof. Nakul Dave(9228844266), Assistant Professor at VGEC. "Nobody wants to wait for anything and everyone wants quick service. It's the role of us engineer to lead the technology boundary further and bring ease of life to the common man", concluded Ridham Dave.

Chattisgarh

Shri Shankaracharya Institute of Professional Management and Technology, Raipur

Student of Shri Shankaracharya Raipur gets worldwide recognition, making a place among top 25 Ethical hackers.

A Mechanical Engineering student, Pratyush Janghel of Shri Shankaracharya Raipur participated in a Bug Bounty Competition organized by "AT&T Incorporated" wherein students and Ethical hackers from all over the world participated. Pratyush Janghel reserved for himself a place among the top 10 participants, for which he received a cash prize of $750 (almost 54 thousand rupees). AT&T Incorporated is one of the biggest telecommunication companies in the world and has number one position in Mobile Telephone Services.

Bug Bounty is a competition organized by companies like Mozilla, Facebook, Yahoo, Google, Redit, Square, and Microsoft. The developers deliberate over the software security related issues and shortcomings in the companies so as to create awareness among the common people and to curb down its widespread misuse. The company awards the participant who reports about the bug and provides a suitable solution. In simple words, it highlights how a company's website, software and computer can be hacked and also how to secure it. Prior to this competition, Pratyush Janghel of SSIPMT Raipur has successfully participated in Bug Bounty programme of many big companies like Google, Sony, Intel, and E-Set.Mr. Nishant Tripathi, Chairman(Governing body) SSIPMT Raipur congratulatd Pratyush Janghel, Prof. Atul Chakrawartti, HOD Mechanical and Dr. Alok Ku. Jain, Principal SSIPMT for this outstanding achievement and encouraged the students and faculty to carry on such endeavours successfully in future.

NEW DELHI — Jamia Millia Islamia-Central University

JMI professor elected as Vice-President of Indian Biophysical Society

It is a matter of great pleasure for Jamia Millia Islamia to announce that Dr. Mohd. Imtiyaz Hassan, Assistant Professor from Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Basic Sciences, has been elected as the Vice-President of Indian Biophysical Society, one of the leading scientific society of the nation. The Indian Biophysical Society (IBS) was founded in 1965 and celebrated its golden jubilee in 2014 at Jamia Millia Islamia. Presently, it has more than 1100 Life-members who performing very well in different corners of the country.

The interdisciplinary nature of the society attracted scientists from not only Physics, Chemistry and Biology, but also from other related areas too such as Biotechnology, Bioinformatics and Medicine. IBS serves as a forum to promote scientific exchanges in the area of Biophysics in India, to advocate the cause of Biophysics in the country, and to provide expert advice for biophysics teaching in various parts of the country. Its main activity is to organize the annual Indian Biophysical Society meeting, in the spring of every year, in different locations in India. IBS also provides awards and travel fellowships to deserving scientists and students and helps smaller groups of biophysicists in organizing seminars on special topics. Dr. Hassan has published more than 200 research articles with i10-index as high as 103 and h-index as 30 with 3199 citations as per google scholar. He was instrumental in bringing 10 major research projects from different funding agencies within a short span of 10 years. He is also serving as General Secretary of protein society and Joint Secretary of bioinformatics and drug design society.

National Conference on STATUS UPDATE ON INTERNATIONAL AND AREA STUDIES at JMI

The Academy of International Studies, JMI organised a two day national conference on 'Status Update on International and Area Studies' in collaboration with the Indian Council of World Affairs on 13-14 March 2019. This was the third event in the 30th anniversary celebrations of the Academy. Prof Rajen Harshe, former VC, Allahabad University, delivered the Keynote Address on 'India and the Emerging Challenges in International Relations and Area Studies'.

21 papers were presented by specialists over the course of two days on a broad variety of topics: on disciplinary boundaries between Area Studies and International Studies; how studies on a particular area developed; on Partition; bilateral relations between India and other countries; discourses on migration; the role of the diaspora in the contemporary world; the development of Area Studies as a discipline; transportation and ICT; human rights; human security and environmental issues. There was a special section entitled 'The Academy, Past, present, Future' in which former faculty members of the Academy discussed the small and modest beginnings of the Academy, its expansion and future prospects.

A special lecture was held in memory of Amb. U S Bajpai, the first director of the Academy. The lecture, entitled 'New Challenges for Indian Foreign Policy' was delivered by Amb. Shiv Shankar Menon, former Foreign Secretary and former National Security Advisor.

The Place of the Jamia Academy' was delivered by Prof Hari Vasudevan, Eurasia specialist, former Director of the Academy and former Professor at Calcutta University. This session was chaired by Prof Zahid Hussain Zaidi, former Director of the Academy. He recalled the early years of the Academy, how Shri Rajiv Gandhi, then Prime Minister of India had been keen to set up a centre in JMI to study the Third World, and how Prof Ali Ashraf, then Vice-Chancellor of Jamia had taken the initiative and set it up with support and funds from the UGC.

Smart Cities at JMI ended with important suggestions and recommendations

Department of Civil Engineering, JMI, New Delhi organized a three day international conference on Smart Cities with emphasis upon its associated opportunities & challenges. The purpose of this conference was to identify various prospects and different obstructions that may come across in a wholesome planning and development of smart cities. Another aim of this conference was to arrive at meaningful, practicable, and feasible solutions to overcome various impediments in the endeavor to develop smart cities.

The proceedings of the Conference are to be published by Springer, a leading international publisher. The beginning of Conference took place in an Inaugural session held in the Dr. M.A. Ansari Auditorium, JMI. It was presided over by Prof. Shahid Ashraf, Officiating Vice Chancellor, JMI. Prof. Dr. PSN Rao, Director, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi was the General Chair. Shri. Vijay Kumar Dev (IAS), Chief Secretary, Government of NCT of Delhi was the Chief Guest. Shri Dev addressed the gathering wherein he emphasized upon adopting an inclusive approach in the development of smart cities with the aim of improving overall quality of life of its citizens.These keynote speakers include: Prof. Kamrul Hosain from Finland, Prof. Anne Feestra from Holland, Prof. Michael Krassowitsch form Austria, Prof. Lew, Prof. Andre Spindler and Prof. Christian Stangenberger from Germany.

Many luminaries from India also presented keynote addresses. They include, Justice Swatanter Kumar (Former Chairperson, NGT), Er. Paritosh C Tyagi (Former Chairman, CPCB), Dr. Altaf Usmani (Senior Manager, Engineers India Ltd), Dr. E Madhu (Sr. Principal Scientist, CRRI), Shri Ravinder Gupta (IAS) and Dr. Ashraf Iqbal (IIT Roorkee).

The outcome of this conference in the form of significant suggestions and recommendations include:A strong vision and strategy is the key to the success of smart city projects. A smart city must be designed and developed to ensure improvement in overall quality of life. This can be achieved by adopting an inclusive approach that takes due care of citizens at all the strata of society and prioritizes their various concerns.