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FROM THE SQUAREONE DESK

Hey Juniors!
Welcome to IIIT–Bangalore!

After two years of intense dedication, filling countless notebooks, completing numerous worksheets, and competing in some of the world's most challenging exams, you have finally arrived. Welcome to the beginning of the rest of your lives. Take a deep breath and embark on your exciting journey!

This handbook aims to provide you with a comprehensive overview of our college. Allow us to introduce you to our vibrant clubs, engaging academic life, and the multitude of events that define the IIIT–B experience. Take some time to read through it, and remember that you can always seek guidance or ask questions from your mentors, seniors, professors, and, of course, the SquareOne members!

Fasten your seat belts because you are about to embark on the most exhilarating ride of your life – your college life! Remember that every decision you have made thus far has led you to this moment. Now, it's time to reap the rewards. Embrace new experiences, forge connections, be courageous, resilient, and above all, have fun.

We are thrilled to welcome you to IIIT–Bangalore! Wishing you all the best on this exciting chapter of your academic journey!

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Dear Students,

A very warm welcome to the academic year 2025–2026!

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to IIIT–Bangalore a vibrant hub of knowledge, innovation, and personal growth. Our campus is not just a place to learn, but a space where your passions will be nurtured, your curiosity sparked, and your potential fully realized.

Whether it's academic pursuits, research excellence, creative exploration, or sports and co-curricular activities – you'll find countless opportunities here to grow into well-rounded individuals. Our dedicated faculty, supportive staff, and your enthusiastic seniors are all here to guide and support you every step of the way.

We are committed to helping you not only succeed in your studies but also build the life skills and confidence needed to thrive in today's dynamic world. I look forward to meeting many of you throughout the semester and hearing your unique stories and aspirations.

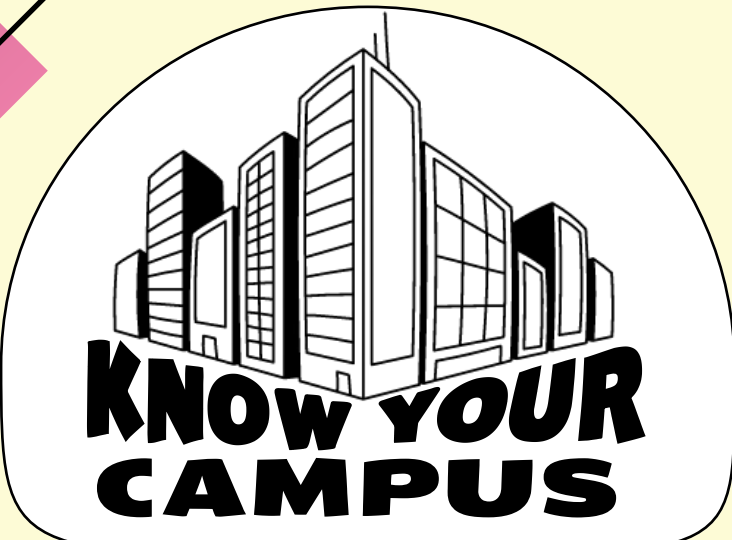
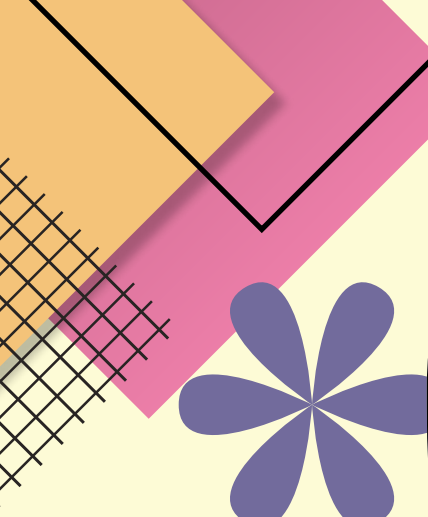
Wishing you a fulfilling, exciting, and successful journey ahead.

Step in with curiosity, stay with purpose, and leave with pride.

With best wishes,

Debabrata Das

Director,



KNOW YOUR CAMPUS

Aryabhata:

Also known as the “Old Academic Block”, Aryabhata is the de-facto heart of the college. It houses the main reception, library, classrooms, labs, administration office, the director’s office, faculty offices, etc. You can meet faculty anytime to ask questions or seek clarifications or advice. There is a library where you can go to study and/or borrow books. There’s a sports room where you can go to issue sports equipment. This block also consists of labs and a PhD scholar’s office. There is also a “Coffee Cove” where you can get coffee, tea, boost etc. during the college hours.



Ramanujan:

Also known as the “New Academic Block”, the Ramanujan block houses computer labs and classrooms on the ground floor, research labs (MINRO and SRL) on the first floor, along with seminar halls on each floor. It was inaugurated in 2017 and houses the Auditorium and Sports Complex on the 3rd and 2nd Floor respectively. At the front of the Ramanujan Block is “The Thinker’s Statue” which is by far the most popular spot for IIIT-Bians to get a good photo for their social media accounts. It also has another “Coffee Cove” to make sure students AND faculty never run low on caffeine :)



Panini:

To accommodate our growing student community, a new leased facility named Panini has been added adjacent to the main campus in the Prestige Alecto building. Operational by July, Panini will house two modern classrooms, a boardroom, a lounge, a large Self Study Hall (SSH), and a ready cloakroom. Named after the great Sanskrit scholar, Panini embodies our academic spirit. Though just outside campus, it will be well-connected via a walkway bridge near Aryabhata. This new space ensures a vibrant, resource-rich environment for learning, collaboration, and growth as you begin your journey at IIIT-B.

HOSTELS

Bhaskara:

Bhaskara, one of the two boys' hostels, houses around 70 triple sharing rooms on the first 2 floors and 400 single occupancy rooms on the remaining 5 floors.

For the first two years students are expected to share their room with two other students. They are provided single rooms after the first two years. The rooms are well ventilated with two windows per room.



Visvesvaraya:

This is the other boys' hostel. There are 4 floors with around 90 rooms. Around 35 rooms are triple sharing with an attached bathroom and the others are single occupancy. The rooms are spacious with windows and each person gets their own cupboard and a desk.

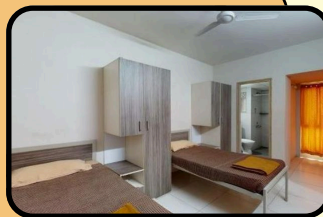


Lilavati:

Lilavati is the girls hostel of IIIT-B. It has two wings. Students get single rooms for all years of the course. However, they will have to shift their rooms every one or two years. There are two guards in the hostel, round the clock, and there is also housekeeping staff who clean the rooms on a daily basis. There are around 260 rooms spread across 5 floors. The girls' gym, Calorie Bee, is located within the hostel, along with common rooms and a pantry.

Uniworld:

This off-campus hostel offers a comfortable and student-friendly living environment. Each room includes a cot with mattress, study table, chair, and an attached bathroom for convenience, and is equipped with common high-speed Wi-Fi.



MULTIPURPOSE HALL

The Multi-Purpose Hall or MPH is the recreational area for all the students at IIIT-B. It is on the ground floor of Bhaskara. It consists of ample seating, with tables and chairs, along with two foosball tables and also the men's gym: Shape Up. There are carrom and chess boards also in the MPH to enjoy in your free time.



The MPH also houses the state of the art SAC room, music room and dance room. You can always come here and jam with your buddies in the music room or maybe practice some dance moves in the dance room.



This year, the 8Bit corner was also built in the MPH for students to come and sit together to study if they're tired of the student study halls or hangout while playing some games.

Everyone is welcome here!

COLLEGE LIFE AND FACILITIES

Food Matters:

There is a common mess and canteen for all students on the ground floor of Bhaskara. The mess provides four time meals i.e. breakfast, lunch, evening snacks and dinner. A non-vegetarian (chicken) option is available thrice a week for dinner.

There is also a separate provision for Jain food. The menu of the mess changes after every two weeks and all food items at the canteen are present at affordable rates. The canteen timings are subject to change from time to time, but it usually closes at 2 AM and re-opens at 10 AM. There are 2 TVs installed in the mess for the students to stream sports while dining too.



Parking:

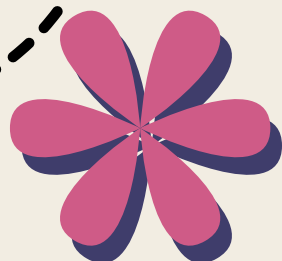
Parking facilities on the campus are available for all students and faculties at two locations:

1. The Front Gate
2. Bhaskara Basement



JustVend:

There is a vending Machine on Campus which is open all day and is restocked regularly. Here you can use the JustVend App to order what you want.



Recreational Areas:

The Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH), located on the ground floor of Bhaskara, offers seating space where you can hang out, collaborate on group projects, or have team discussions. Similarly, Lilavati has cozy common rooms with couches to relax on and study desks to get work done, along with a pantry for quick snacks. Outside the hostels, the pond is another favorite spot to unwind after an intense day of academics!



Laundry:

There is a laundry room in the basement of Bhaskara which has washing machines and dryers. You can drop off your laundry basket there and the staff will do your laundry and you can collect it after 24 hrs.

There are spaces available for drying clothes in the Hostels on each floor. If you want your clothes dried instantly using the dryer you need to pay Rs 100. There also is an ironing service at a per garment fixed price. You may avail these services on any day of the week. The washing machines are run using a card which will be given to you by the college management. You need to use this card while giving your laundry.



Fire Safety and Emergency Exits:

All buildings are well-equipped with various fire safety measures like alarms, smoke detectors and water sprinklers. There are emergency exits which are at a considerable distance from each room.



Washrooms:

There are sufficient amounts of washrooms in both the hostel buildings which are cleaned everyday.

SPORTS FACILITIES

The following sports facilities are in the college:

1. Basketball court
2. Volleyball/Tennis Court
3. Throwball Court (in front of Lilavati)
4. 4 Indoor Badminton Courts
5. 3 Table Tennis Tables
6. 2 Foosball Tables



There is a general—purpose field where sports like football and cricket are played. Indoor games such as chess, carrom and table tennis are also played in the MPH. All the sports equipment can be issued from the sports room for a given period of time.

The timings of the gym are:

Monday – Saturday:

Morning 6:00 AM – 9:00 AM,

Evening 3:30 PM – 9:00 PM

On Sundays – Gym remains closed



Both men and women have separate gyms and have treadmills and bicycles for cardiovascular workout & also have all the required equipment for weight lifting and strength gaining exercises.

The men's gym – ShapeUp, which was recently renovated to double its size and number of equipments, is located in the MPH and the women's gym – CalorieBee is located inside the women's hostel.

Our fitness experts Mr. Girish Govind (for Men's gym) and Ms. Praseena M.S (for Women's gym) are available during the gym timings. They are responsible for making daywise workout plans and instructing your workout!

MEDICAL FACILITIES

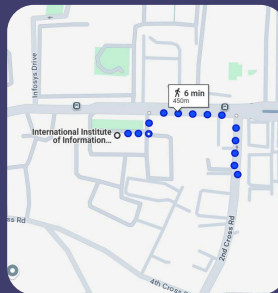
The college has doctors available on campus for the following days and timings:

1. Dr Sachidanandam Muniswamy –
Tues, Fri and Sat – 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
2. Dr Bharathi P –
Mon, Wed & Thurs – 11:30 am to 2:00 pm



The consultation is free but you will need to buy the medicines on your own. We also have an on campus para-medic for immediate first aid.

There is an Apollo Pharmacy store at walking distance from the campus. The Institute also has counselling psychologists who visit the campus every week. Every student gets a YourDost account, which provides free online counselling services.



In case of medical emergencies kindly contact the security personnel at the front desk in Aryabhata, who will arrange for an ambulance at any time. This is a free service provided by Kauvery hospital.

KAUVERY HOSPITAL

Our Trusted Healthcare Partner



Located just 2 km from our campus, Kauvery Hospital is our official medical partner, ensuring prompt and reliable healthcare support for our students. The hospital is well-equipped to handle any emergencies efficiently. Our deep and longstanding collaboration with Kauvery Hospital ensures that students receive priority care whenever needed. Whether it's routine check-ups or urgent medical attention, the hospital's proximity and our strong institutional ties provide a critical safety net, reinforcing our commitment to student well-being and health.

YOURDOST



YourDOST is a platform which provides online as well as one-on-one in-person counseling through IIIT-B. It anonymously connects you with the right expert from their panel consisting of psychologists, psychotherapists, counsellors, life coaches and career coaches, who understand you and guide you through completely confidential individual sessions. The counselors are also available for 2 days a week on campus and you can book an appointment in your free time for support. Through IIIT-B you get free one-on-one counseling sessions where you can even choose an appropriate time and an appropriate time according to your schedule. They ensure the following during a session:

1. Complete confidentiality
2. Total privacy

Counseling helps in maintaining good mental health by providing us with an outlet to seek advice for changes that can be implemented in our lifestyle to keep our minds healthy, even resulting in improved efficiency. You can make use of the services of YourDost via your college Email ID. You can also look up the services provided on their official website yourdost.com. So let us all try and break the stereotypes behind mental health counseling :)





CLUBS



Parvaaz

The Theatre Club

- Step into the world of Parvaaz — where creativity has purpose, and every spotlight tells a story that matters. A vibrant collective of passionate performers, Parvaaz has lit up stages and wowed audiences, earning countless accolades at inter-college festivals. From gripping stage plays to powerful mime acts, from thought-provoking theatre to electrifying street performances — they do it all, and they do it with heart, energy, and unmistakable flair.



But Parvaaz isn't just about putting on a great show — they stand for something bigger. Raising awareness about benefit/harm of social media to the youth was one of the many initiative they took in the betterment of student community of the college.

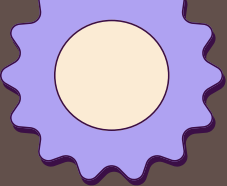
They don't just perform — they make you think, feel, and act. Their art sparks conversations, inspires change, and reflects the real pulse of college life.

In Parvaaz, every performance is more than just entertainment — it's a message, a moment, a movement. Join them on a journey where talent meets purpose, creativity knows no limits, and the stage becomes a platform for something truly powerful.

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8Bit

The College Magazine Club



8Bit is a club of many names: the magazine club, the podcast club, the student hub (and self-proclaimed best club) of IIIT-B. We are the official student club of the college and the home of ideation, creativity, and fun. We have ventures on all ranges of the creative spectrum, ranging from literature to pop-culture events, and even a podcast. The 8Bit magazine is a regular publication that serves as a hub for your wildest ideas, artistic ventures, and infectious humor (famous for its mom jokes).



Our team of creatives includes content editors, video editors, and designers who form bonds through laughter-filled meetings and adrenaline-fueled designing marathons that stretch late into the night. Our video editors are

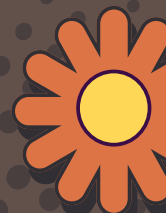
always on the prowl for the next hilarious reel moment or carefully editing the next episode of the 8BitCast, our very own student podcast, featuring student discussions on trending on-campus topics, where key members tell all on what's really going on. Our literature division also regularly puts out club recommendations and initiates interesting discussions on a wide span of literature, ranging from George Orwell to Emily Henry. Last but not least, our expertise is not just limited to the magazine; we also plan events that bring colors of joy to the (mostly) boring academic lives. This includes Sands Of Time, our very own twist on a treasure hunt game, and League of Fanatics, where we bring together people across fandoms to compete to see who the biggest fanatic is.

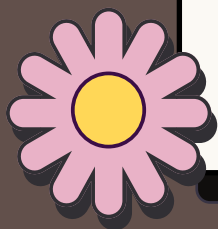


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Impulse

The Dance Club

Impulse, where the rhythm never stops and the dance floor is always on fire! It's where professionalism meets party, with dancers who move so smoothly they make the floor jealous. With dancers that can pop and lock like nobody's business and organizers who know how to keep the groove going, Impulse is a place where you can work hard on your dance moves and rock even harder on the dance floor.

Be it the annual flash-mob, the dance battle event – Rhythm Rumble or the Foundation Day, whether you are an experienced dancer or a beginner, we will always be looking for you by our side.

Impulse isn't just a club, it's a movement. One of the most active, and the largest and most loved clubs in IIIT-B, we've made waves beyond campus too – owning the stage across colleges:

- 🥇 1st Place – NMIMS School of Law
- 🥇 1st Place – BMCRI
- 🥈 2nd Place – Tjhon
- 🥉 3rd Place – IIM Bangalore

Yet, it's not only the dance that matters—but the friendships we make throughout this journey.

If you're looking for a club that's as serious about fun as it is about flawless choreography, Impulse is where it's at!

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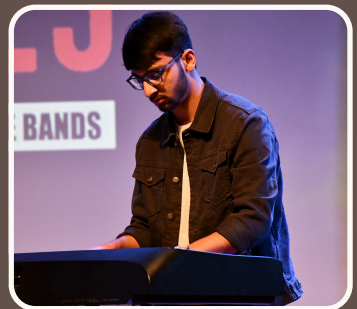


Symphony

The Music Club



- Symphony, the music club of IIIT-B, has really come into its own this year: with several promising and incredibly talented recruits, and the continued participation of club stalwarts, their bands have participated in 7 fests.
- Among their accolades this year are 4th year Ketaki Tamhanakar 2nd place finishes in non-classical singing at both Infin8 and PES Electronic City's Maaya, and the junior band Tarang's 3rd place finish at Maaya and qualification for MoodIndigo's semifinals

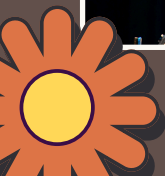
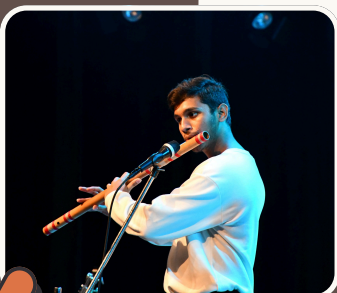


In addition, Symphony is planning an innovative and exciting intra-college battle of the bands competition Opus, along with the requisite intra-college music competition, Audio Sensation.

This year has left everyone at Symphony brimming with excitement and energy for the year ahead, and we're confident they'll exceed expectations again!

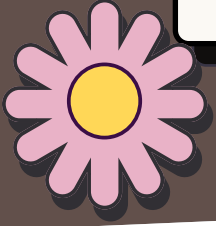
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Film Division

The Film Club



Enter The Film Division, the filmy branch where passion meets proficiency, and creativity knows no bounds. We're more than just a club; we're a guiding light illuminating the pathway to a vibrant film culture within our college community. Join us to experience the magic of cinema through awe-inspiring films, stimulating discussions, and connections with fellow enthusiasts. Whether you're a director, storyteller, visual artist, performer, or cinephile, our doors are open to all. Our accolades, including the prestigious JUSFF '24 award for "A Distant Memory", and at IIT Hyderabad for "365" and "The Mirror's Image" speak volumes about our commitment to excellence. Within our halls, esteemed studios like "Lonely Egg Productions", "131 Productions", "Badmosi Productions" and "Basundi Productions" nurture tomorrow's filmmaking luminaries. Join us on a journey where dreams become realities, and every frame tells a story of passion, perseverance, and boundless imagination. Welcome to The Film Division – where cinematic dreams take flight. Make sure to check out our award-winning short films on our Instagram pages!

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E-CELL

The Entrepreneurship Club

E-Cell is not just a club, we are a launchpad for ideas. E-Cell brings together passionate, driven individuals who dream big and work hard.

We ignite your entrepreneurial drive by offering hands-on workshops and high-energy events to turn ideas into action. We dive straight into real-world startup challenges, finance fundamentals and run paper-trading simulations so you can master stock market strategies.

E-Cell hosts some of the most Flagship events in the college like Brandstormers, IPL Mega Auction, Bid & Build, Pitching Pixels and Stockathon. Recently E-Cell collaborated with Groww to conduct a Finance Masterclass with a footfall of over 500 students from all over Bangalore.

Join us and fuel your innovation, collaborate with like-minded peers, and fast-track your path to entrepreneurial success.

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Vinci

The Art Club

Step into a world where art speaks louder than words! Join us for exciting competitions, inspiring workshops, and hands-on sessions that help you discover your unique artistic voice. From t-shirt painting and origami to clay modelling and sketching, our year-round Art Carnival celebrates every form of expression. Whether you're a seasoned artist or just starting out, this is your space to create, explore, and shine. Be part of the journey—where imagination becomes art!

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DEBSOC

The Debate Society

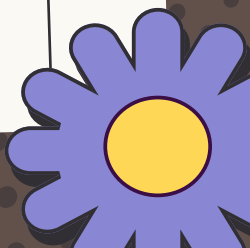
DEBSOC is a vibrant platform where conversations spark ideas, critical thinking, and personal growth. We provide a space for diverse individuals to engage in thought-provoking debates, develop public speaking skills, and cultivate civic awareness through teamwork and negotiation. Over the past years, we've hosted multiple internal competitions in the Asian Parliamentary format and regularly prepare members for interviews and public speaking.

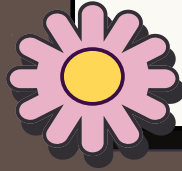


DEBSOC also actively conducts Model United Nations (MUNs) during the annual techfest and participates in MUNs organized by other colleges, proudly representing IIIT Bangalore. We also consistently send our teams to various Asian and British Parliamentary Debates conducted in other colleges.

Join us to be part of a community where every voice matters, ideas flourish, and every conversation inspires.

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Turiya

The Spiritual Club



Turiya focuses on enhancing spiritual culture through sessions and awareness programs on mental wellness, time management, and spirituality. Our name, "Turiya," signifies a higher state of consciousness. Our popular events include Kalaamrutam, where submissions of various art forms of Lord Vishnu are showcased, and Aitihaasika, a fun quiz on the epics Ramayana and Mahabharata. Additionally, we collaborate with ISKCON Bangalore for monthly sessions on inner wellness, time management, and meditation. Join us on a journey of self-discovery and personal growth!

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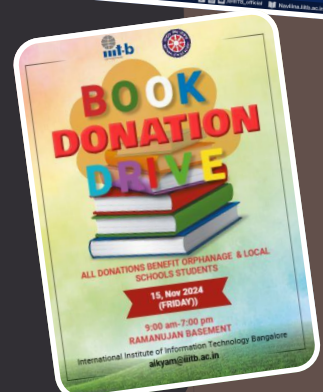
The Social Service Club

Aikyam, the social service club of IIIT-Bangalore, is dedicated to helping the less fortunate through initiatives like 'Aikyam Trips' to orphanages, where we spend time with the children and provide essential items.

We collect funds and donations from students for orphanages and distribute articles like clothes, food, and books to those in need. Additionally, we conduct activities at the college to raise social awareness among students. Join us in making a positive impact on society!

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Chhayachitra

The Media Club

Chhayachitra, the vibrant media club of IIITB, is dedicated to capturing every beautiful and unforgettable moment from the college's events, fests, and celebrations.

With their keen eyes and ever-ready cameras, the members of Chhayachitra ensure that no emotion goes unnoticed — from joyous smiles to moments of relief after intense efforts. Their work is not just photography; it's storytelling through visuals. Many of the stunning images featured in this handbook are a testament to their talent and dedication.

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Pioneers

The Math Club

Welcome to the spellbinding realm where numbers hold the keys to infinite possibilities! A relatively new club at IIIT-B, the Pioneers Math Club fosters a community of students who share a passion for mathematics.

From solving complex math problems, having discussions on topics of math beyond what general mathematical courses cover and a lot of math contests, this club has everything a math enthusiast needs. Dive into the mesmerizing world of the Pioneers Math Club at IIIT-B, where equations are not just solutions but stories waiting to be told.



Eclipse

The Astronomy Club



Welcome to the Astronomy Club of IIIT–Bangalore! We're passionate about exploring the wonders of the universe and sharing our fascination with the cosmos. Through stargazing sessions, workshops, and discussions, we delve into the mysteries of space and inspire curiosity about astronomy.

Whether you're a seasoned astronomer or simply curious about the stars, join us as we journey through the cosmos and uncover the beauty of the universe.

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Shatranj

The Chess Club



Shatranj, the chess club of IIIT–B, is a vibrant community dedicated to fostering a love for the game of chess among students.

Founded with the goal of providing a platform for both beginners and experienced players, Shatranj welcomes all enthusiasts to join us in exploring the strategic depths and intellectual challenges of chess. Through regular meetups, tournaments, and workshops, we aim to not only improve our skills but also to build lasting friendships and camaraderie. Join us as we embark on a journey of mental stimulation, strategic thinking, and endless fun.

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Prayas

The Diversity & Inclusion Club

Prayas is the space where inclusion meets action. It's IIITB's initiative to make sure every voice is heard and every person regardless of ability, background, or identity feels like they truly belong. It hosts collabs with disabled artists, throws awareness-driven events, and turns conversations into real change. Whether it's organizing performances with inclusive bands or simply making sure color-coded bands are on stairs to support visually impaired students, Prayas is all about the little (and big) things that make campus life better for everyone. It also pushes for accessibility beyond events think volunteer support systems, awareness campaigns, and continuous efforts to make the campus more walkable, rollable, and livable.

At the end of the day, it's not just a club, it's a movement for empathy, representation, and real impact. Because inclusion isn't a trend, it's the future!



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QuizSoc

The Quiz Club

The Quiz Society is the official quiz club of IIIT-Bangalore. The youngest club in the college; it is a great place for quiz enthusiasts. It is an open society where any sort of exclusive membership is not required. The primary aim of the club is to nurture and propagate a culture of quizzing in the institute. It organizes regular quiz sessions on the campus. So, anyone who wishes to quiz competitively, share tidbits and trivia or just have fun is welcome in this club.

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TECH CLUBS



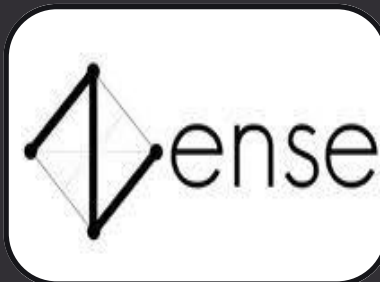
ZENSE

Zense is the oldest running club at IIIT–Bangalore. It is a developers' community. It builds and breaks things while working with the bleeding edge of technologies. The goal is to unite passionate developers and provide them with a platform to collaborate and innovate. It conducts amazing informative and challenging events like seminars, hackathons, CTFs for both first–years and seniors. Hacknite, a tradition here at IIIT–B, is a hackathon specifically for first–years in various tracks like WebDev, AIML, Data Science, Discord Bot Dev, GameDev etc. Zense is one of the most active clubs and being a part of it can do wonders for one's skill set and resume. It provides a community to engage with like minded people and learn. Looking forward to seeing you with us soon :)

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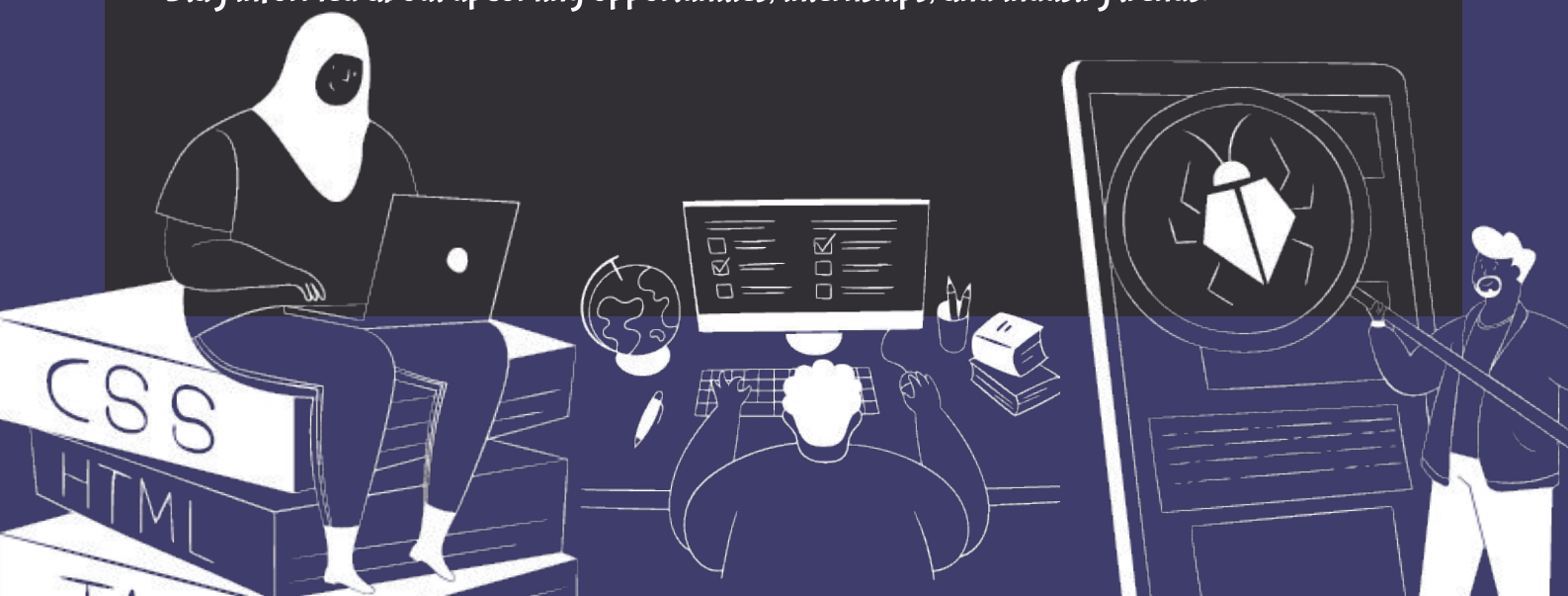
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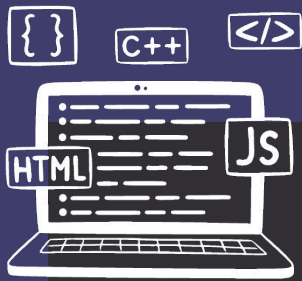


Zense Discord Lounge

The Zense discord server is the hangout area of the community of software developers of IIIT–B. It serves as a connect between all students interested in learning and delving deeper into the software world. Join this lively community and explore multiple different domains!

- Connect with like–minded individuals who share your passion for technology and development.
- Collaborate on innovative software projects and contribute to open–source initiatives.
- Participate in engaging events, workshops, and tech talks organized by Zense.
- Seek guidance, mentorship, and valuable insights from experienced members of the community.
- Stay informed about upcoming opportunities, internships, and industry trends.





GDSC

Google Developer Student Clubs are university-based community groups for students interested in Google developer technologies. By joining



GDSC, students grow their knowledge in a peer-to-peer learning environment and build solutions for their community.

- Creating awareness and preparing candidates for the various opportunities available for them.
- Providing a platform for inviting speakers and conducting regular sessions/workshops on technical domains.
- Mentoring peers through their projects, competition preparation, etc.
- GDSC also conducts several google affiliated courses which teach students a lot and provide them with amazing experience.

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LEAN-IN

Welcome to the Lean-In Club of IIIT-Bangalore! Our club is part of the global Lean-In movement, dedicated to empowering and supporting women in achieving their goals and ambitions. Through workshops, discussions, and networking events, we strive to create a supportive community where female students can learn, grow, and lean into their careers and aspirations. Join us as we work towards gender equality and personal development, one step at a time.

Contact: leanin@iiitb.ac.in





CAMP

The Club for Algorithms, Math & Programming (CAMP) is all about competitive programming!

Competitive programming involves the application of algorithms and data structures to solve complex problems within the specified time and memory constraints. Whether you're a beginner aiming to master the fundamentals or a seasoned coder chasing global rankings, CAMP offers resources, mentorship, and challenges to help you grow. Join us to explore the beauty of algorithms, push your limits, and compete with the best!

Contact: camp@iiitb.ac.in



VLSI CLUB

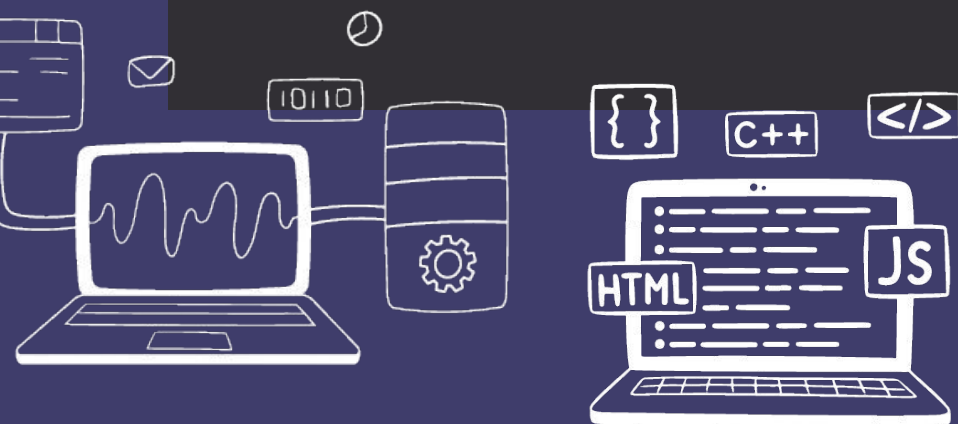
Welcome to MOSFIT: IIIT-B's VLSI Club!

MOSFIT is your gateway to the fascinating realm of Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI). As a community of enthusiasts, we're dedicated to exploration, learning, and mutual support. Our mission is clear: to nurture students at all levels, providing guidance, resources, and opportunities for growth. From interactive sessions and industry insights to hands-on workshops and networking, we offer a comprehensive platform for your VLSI journey.

Whether you're new to chip design or a seasoned enthusiast, join us in shaping the future of semiconductor technology.

Welcome aboard, future VLSI leaders!

Contact: VLSI.club@iiitb.ac.in



QIMAYA

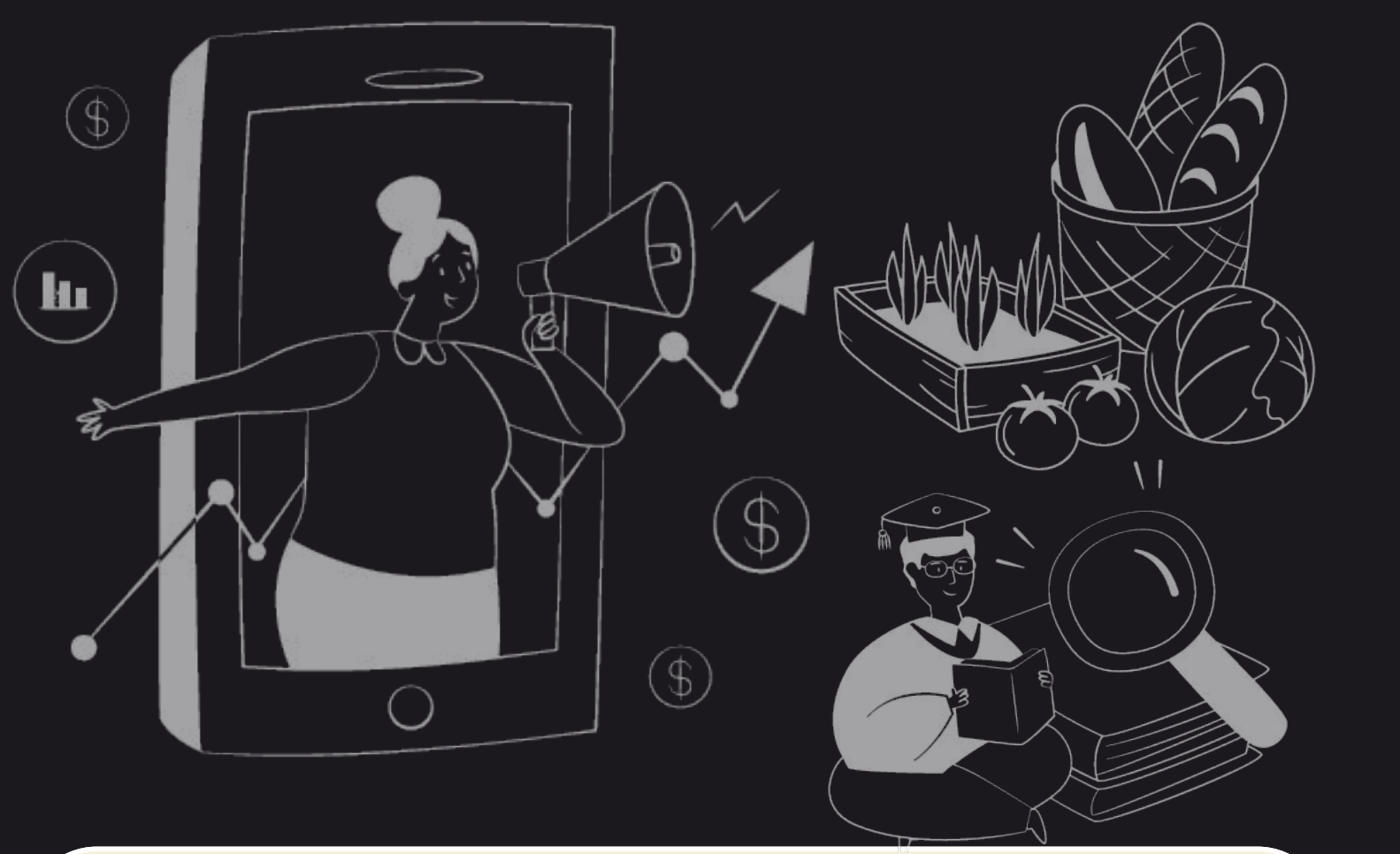
Welcome to Qimaya — where quantum curiosity sparks innovation, and the boundaries of technology are constantly being reimaged. As IIIT-B's student-led quantum computing club, Qimaya is a vibrant hub of thinkers, tinkerers, and trailblazers passionate about exploring the strange and fascinating world of quantum science.

From introductory bootcamps and research discussions to algorithm-building, simulations, and insightful guest sessions — Qimaya brings together the theoretical and the practical with equal enthusiasm. Whether you're new to the quantum realm or already experimenting with Qiskit, this is the place to challenge your intellect and expand your horizons.

But Qimaya's mission goes beyond circuits and qubits. The club strives to create a learning space that's inclusive, collaborative, and forward-looking — raising awareness, encouraging dialogue, and exploring the societal impact of quantum technologies on tomorrow's digital world.

At Qimaya, every initiative is more than just a learning opportunity — it's a chance to question, to create, and to lead. Come be part of a journey where knowledge meets imagination, and where students aren't just preparing for the future — they're building it.





COMMITTEES

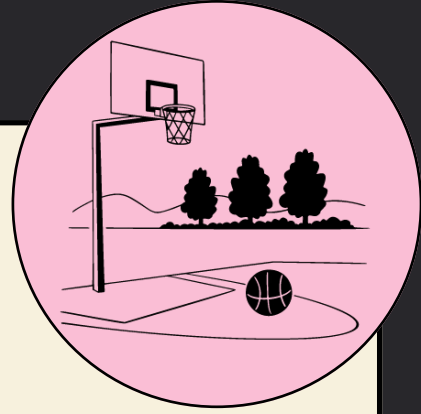


SPORTS *committee*

The Sports Committee is dedicated to enhancing the campus sports culture. We manage and improve sports facilities, and organize major events such as Spandan, Umang, and the IIIT-B Premier League. Additionally, we oversee the maintenance of sports equipment to ensure everything is in excellent condition for both practices and games. We also mediate disputes over sports ground usage to maintain fair access and foster a positive atmosphere for all athletes. Ultimately, the Sports Committee is about more than just events; we aim to build a community and promote sportsmanship and teamwork throughout the campus.

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FOOD *committee*



The Food Committee not only serves as a liaison for culinary matters but also strives to enhance the overall dining experience by incorporating student feedback into the continuous improvement of food quality and service. They are dedicated to fostering a culture of mindful eating and promoting the importance of good nutrition practices and are committed to creating a sustainable dining environment that reduces waste and supports local produce. Through their efforts, they seek to ensure that every meal is not just a necessity but also a pleasurable and enriching part of the day for all students.

Contact: foodcommittee@iiitb.ac.in



PLACEMENT *committee*

The Placement Committee at IIIT– Bangalore acts as a crucial link between students and visiting companies for recruitment. They assist fellow students in preparing for placements and coordinate on–campus recruitment drives. Committee members engage with every graduating classmate, finding fulfillment in their collective success in securing placements. Working closely with the Placement Cell administration and faculty provides them substantial exposure, enhancing their professional journey.

Contact: placement.committee@iiitb.ac.in

BRANDING *committee*

The Branding Committee looks into the matter of promoting IIIT–B’s brand through internal and external interaction. They conduct various events throughout the year to promote IIIT–B and enhance its brand. We spread information about academic activities and various research happening in IIIT–B by students & professors in several domains and on social media platforms. Apart from that, they help various other clubs and committees for promoting their events/activities internally and externally. ‘Bangalore on IT’ is a public lecture series, an initiative taken by the Branding Committee to gain expert knowledge and renew motivation.

Contact: branding@iiitb.ac.in



INTERNAL COMPLAINTS committee

IIIT-B is committed to creating and maintaining an environment that is free of all forms of gender violence, sexual harassment, and discrimination based on sex/gender.

Towards this, and as directed by UGC "Saksham" guidelines, IIIT-B has constituted an Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) that fulfills three major objectives:

To provide a mechanism for registering complaints about sexual harassment, conducting inquiries, providing assistance and redressal to victims, and recommending punitive action against harassers.

To create awareness about issues of gender and sexuality by conducting various gender sensitization events.

To work towards creating a safe environment at the institute which is free of sexual harassment.

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STUDENT AFFAIRS COUNCIL

Student Affairs Council (SAC) is the elected body of IIIT-B students that is responsible for bridging the gap between the students and the administration. SAC plans and organizes a multitude of events, both formal and informal, throughout the academic year, that encourage participation from all students.

It helps maintain harmony among students and ensures that their ideas and suggestions are well-represented. SAC is also the first point of contact for the admin to discuss any policy changes or rule initiations/modifications.

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STUDENT DISCIPLINARY *committee*

The Students Disciplinary committee or SDC is an integral part of creating and maintaining a safe, progressive and harmonious atmosphere in the campus. It comprises of both students, faculty and admin members providing equal voices to everyone in the IIIT-B family without any discrimination.

Not only do they help in the upkeep of college life at IIIT-B but they play an active role in making the events like the fests a success by making sure everyone uses facilities in a way that does not hamper the event. They play a very important role in holding up the esteemed name of our college.

Pro tip: Do not get on their wrong side :)

CONFLUENCE *committee*

Welcome to the Confluence Committee of IIIT-Bangalore!
We are the team behind Confluence: IIIT-B's premier speaker series that brings together renowned personalities from diverse domains to share powerful, theme-driven talks.

With dedicated teams in marketing, design, speaker curation, logistics, and more, we work collaboratively to create a platform that not only informs but also inspires. Join us as we shape conversations that matter and celebrate excellence across disciplines.

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INDUCTION *committee*

****SquareOne**** is the Induction Committee of IIIT–Bangalore, dedicated to ensuring a warm, smooth, and memorable transition for incoming students. As the first point of contact for freshers, SquareOne plays a vital role in helping them feel at home, navigate campus life, and build lasting connections.

From organizing orientation sessions and interactive events to offering peer support and mentorship, the committee is committed to fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment.

SquareOne isn't just about introductions, it's about building community, igniting enthusiasm, and setting the foundation for an incredible journey at IIIT–B.

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ALUMINI *committee*

The Alumni Committee at IIIT Bangalore serves as a vital link between the current student body, the administrative ecosystem, and the institute's ever-growing alumni network. Committed to fostering lifelong connections, the committee undertakes initiatives that promote meaningful engagement, knowledge exchange, and mutual support. From organizing alumni talks and reunions to managing mentorship programs and outreach, the committee ensures a continuous flow of ideas, experiences, and opportunities across generations of IIITBians.

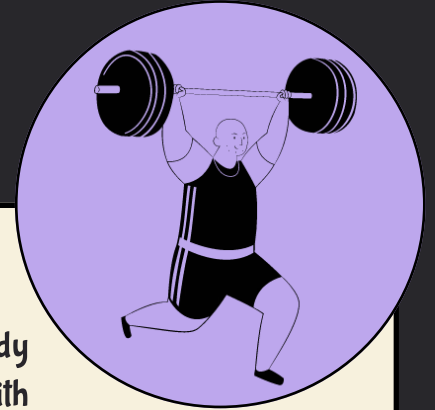
Whether you're a student seeking guidance or an alumnus wanting to give back, the Alumni Committee is your go-to channel for staying connected with the IIIT–B family.

Contact: alumni.committee@iiitb.ac.in

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GYM *committee*



The Gym Committee at IIIT-B is a motivated, student-driven body committed to promoting health and fitness on campus. Tasked with managing the gym facilities, our committee ensures that all equipment is modern, well-maintained, and ready for use, creating an optimal workout environment for all students.

We also handle the scheduling of gym facilities to prevent overcrowding and ensure that every student has the opportunity to benefit from the resources available. We witness our gym being expanded to twice the size in the last academic year. We play a crucial role in addressing any concerns related to the gym facilities, ensuring that our fitness environment is safe, welcoming, and conducive to personal growth. It works to foster a culture of health and wellness that permeates every aspect of campus life.

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COLLEGE BLOG AND WEBSITES



Anubhava – IIIT–Bangalore's Career Blog is an initiative as part of the Placement Cell of IIIT–Bangalore. The aim of the platform is to archive all the summer industrial and research internships, scholarships, full–time opportunities, paper publications, conference experiences of students and alumni of the institute. The blogs are published on our college domain Anubhava and encompass complete information about the opportunity, including but not limited to, eligibility criteria, application procedure, personal tips and tricks etc.

This platform emerged as an effort to encourage students, especially junior batches to discover, prepare for opportunities and seek out seniors with similar backgrounds thus facilitating networking and lifting the community standards overall.

Visit the blog at: [Anubhava – IIIT Bangalore's Career Blog](#)

Student kit website by Zense: Everything you need to know as you join the IIIT–B community

Visit the site: studentkit.zense.co.in

Instagram: [@anubhava_iiitb](#)



EVENTS



INFIN8



Infin8 is an inter-college techno-cultural festival conducted by IIIT-Bangalore every year. It's a roller coaster of events like "Stage Play", "Battle of Bands", "Dance Battle", "Indie-Artists", "Runway Fashion Show" and the much awaited "DJ Night". This year we welcomed eminent artists like Twinkle Aggrwal, Akshay, Oxygen on the Rocks, DJ Kawal, and a world famous magician – Karan Singh. The students of our college participate with enthusiasm and compete with the other college teams for the podium finish. Food and game stalls are set up and this action-packed 3-day fest is thoroughly enjoyed by all the students of the college. Being the annual festival in the College, it has everything you need. A celebration that starts months prior to the event, it has something in store for everyone.

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SYNERGY



Synergy, the flagship tech fest of IIIT–Bangalore, brings together a powerful blend of innovation, competition, and creativity. With events ranging from Capture the Flag and esports tournaments to coding contests and AI/ML hackathons, the fest celebrates the best of student talent and technical brilliance. Creative minds shine through short film and reel–making competitions, while designers showcase their skills in the UI/UX design challenge.

There was also a Google workshop that provided valuable insights into GenAI and the latest trends in technology.

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FOUNDATION DAY

IIIT–Bangalore commemorates its foundation day annually on September 15th, marking 22 years of its enduring legacy. This milestone celebration is always distinguished by esteemed chief guests and dignitaries from diverse fields. The highlight of the event lies in its rich cultural festivities, encompassing a wide array of genres to captivate attendees. Remarkably, the institution boasts a student body exceeding 1000, reflecting its growing influence and prominence in the academic realm. As years pass, this celebration not only honors the institute's history but also serves as a testament to its continued commitment to excellence and innovation in education.



CONFLUENCE

Confluence, the flagship event of IIIT–B’s summit inviting bright, talented and successful entrepreneurs, leaders, artists, researchers, and personalities to share their wisdom with the students. It was a huge success attended by over 200 people from both in and out of IIIT–B.

The 2025 edition, themed Cadence of Creations, featured an impressive lineup of speakers, including Dr. Vijender Singh Chauhan, Ankur Warikoo, and many more.

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UMANG

The Inter–College Sports Fest at IIIT–Bangalore is a thrilling event uniting students from various colleges for a wide range of sporting competitions. Organized by the Sports Committee, it showcases athletic prowess, team spirit, and sportsmanship through events like cricket, football, basketball, volleyball, badminton, table tennis, athletics, and chess. Beyond competition, it fosters camaraderie and promotes fitness. With its vibrant atmosphere, the fest is a much–anticipated highlight of the academic calendar for students and sports enthusiasts.

Instagram: [@umang_iiitb](https://www.instagram.com/umang_iiitb)



PREMIER LEAGUE

Amidst the academic flurry, the IIIT–B Premier League bursts forth, rallying students for a spirited display of sportsmanship. Teams assemble through an animated auction, priming for an intense face–off. From cricket's thunder to badminton's agility, and chess's strategy to powerlifting's prowess, diversity reigns. Beyond victory, it's about bonding and fortifying the IIIT–B community. As the campus echoes with cheers, the league transcends sports; it embodies the institution's vibrant essence of passion and unity. With each match, the camaraderie grows stronger, enriching the fabric of campus life. The IIIT–B Premier League becomes more than just a series of games; it's a celebration of teamwork and resilience, shaping participants into well–rounded individuals.



SPANDAN

Spandan, IIIT–Bangalore's annual sports meet held in March, is a vibrant three–day event packed with diverse indoor and outdoor games. Beyond sports, Spandan serves as a nostalgic reunion for alumni, strengthening ties between past and present generations. Alumni join current students, exchanging stories and creating enduring memories. This intergenerational interaction cultivates a profound sense of belonging and pride, emblematic of IIIT–Bangalore's community spirit. Spandan transcends being just a sports event; it symbolizes the institute's essence, uniting its past, present, and future.



SANGAM

IIIT-B's annual Alumni Day, "Sangam," is orchestrated by the college's placement and outreach team each February. This one-day extravaganza is brimming with activities tailored for our esteemed alumni. Our students curate captivating performances while the alumni revel in the festivities. Meanwhile, their children are enthralled in the kids' section, complete with movies, balloons, toys, and coloring books. Food stalls, organized by the food committee, add to the allure, offering delectable treats. Cultural events, like stand-up comedy, music, dance and theatrical performances, ensure everyone remains entertained throughout the day.



MILES4MEALS

IIIT-Bangalore proudly hosts the Miles4Meals Charity Marathon every year in collaboration with the Akshaya Patra Foundation. This event isn't just about running; it's an opportunity to make a difference, push boundaries, and strive for excellence. Participants contribute to providing mid-day meals for the under-privileged children. Since its launch in 2023, Miles4Meals has become an annual event, holding 5km and 10km long marathons which symbolize our collective commitment to making a difference in the lives of those in need. In partnership with CGI and ELCIA, the marathon was aimed to alleviate hunger among disadvantaged school children in and around Electronic City.

The participation in the marathon supported around 5500 needy school children.

10K & 5K MARATHON
MILES 4 MEALS
SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024 | IIIT BANGALORE



RISE

IIITB's RISE (Research, Innovation, Society, and Entrepreneurship) is a flagship annual event that brings together the research community, collaborators, and the startup ecosystem. It attracts students, academics, industry professionals, investors, and more, who participate in mentorship sessions, workshops, hackathons, and receive incubation support.

The initiative aims to build a community where technology meets societal needs, fostering projects in areas such as healthcare, sustainability, education, and more.



Whether through startups, research publications, or social impact campaigns, RISE empowers individuals to think beyond the classroom and contribute meaningfully to the world. It nurtures ideas from inception to implementation—encouraging innovation not just for profit, but for purpose.

RISE 2025, in particular, is an Innovation Conclave focused on the 5G/6G revolution, featuring discussions on emerging technologies and their impact across various industries.





FESTIVALS



Diwali



At IIIT–Bangalore, the festival of Diwali is more than just a celebration; it's a vibrant tapestry of culture, community, and joy. As the campus comes alive with flickering diyas (lamps) illuminating every corner, the air fills with laughter and excitement. From the mesmerizing display of colorful rangoli (artwork) adorning pathways to the aroma of traditional sweets wafting from every hostel kitchen, Diwali at IIIT–Bangalore is a feast for the senses. Students from diverse backgrounds come together to share in the festivities, exchanging sweets, lighting fireworks, and partaking in cultural performances that showcase the richness of Indian heritage. It's a time when bonds are strengthened, friendships are forged, and memories are created, making Diwali an unforgettable experience for all who call IIIT–Bangalore home.

Holi

At IIIT–Bangalore, the festival of Holi ignites the campus with boundless

energy and vibrant colours, embodying the spirit of unity and joy. As the sun rises, students gather in the central courtyard, armed with gulaal and water balloons, ready to paint the day with hues of laughter and camaraderie. Faces masked in rainbow hues, they dance to lively music, spreading infectious enthusiasm that transcends boundaries. The air resonates with cheerful shouts of "Holi Hai!", as friendships are cemented amidst playful splashes and embraces. Traditional sweets and delicacies add to the festive fervor, shared amongst peers and faculty alike.)



Ganesh Chaturthi

Reflecting on the joyous festivities of Ganesh Chaturthi in our college fills us with fond memories. The week-long pooja was a sacred and uplifting experience, with morning and evening bhajans offered to Lord Ganesha, infusing our days with spirituality and devotion. As the culmination approached, anticipation grew, culminating in a grand finale on the last day. We indulged in delectable modaks, symbolizing the sweetness of our devotion, before joyfully dancing around the campus during the visarjan procession. Ganesh Chaturthi was more than just a celebration; it was a time of unity, spirituality, and pure bliss that left an indelible mark on our hearts. In those moments, we felt a profound connection not only with each other but also with the divine presence of Lord Ganesha, guiding us with his wisdom and blessings.



Onam



Step back into the vibrant festivities of our college's Onam celebration! Experience the joyous tapestry of events that made our festivities truly unforgettable. From the meticulously crafted pookolams to the exhilarating competitions like tug of war and blindfolded pot-breaking, Onam brought a wave of excitement to our campus. We enjoyed the musical performance by our college band too. We vibed to the rhythmic beats of local drummers and danced to the traditional tunes that filled the air. With laughter, camaraderie, and delicious feasts, our Onam celebration was a cherished moment of unity and joy for all who participated.

Harvest Festivals



The air at IIIT-B was filled with festive fervour as students came together to celebrate the vibrant harvest festivals.

The celebration started off with Lohri, and its traditional bonfire whose blazing flames rose



15 feet high. Students adorned in their kurtas and salwars circled around it and found comfort in the blanket of its warmth. The bonfire was followed by a musical night where everyone danced to the Punjabi beats. The next morning witnessed Makar Sankranti and Pongal celebration starting off with kite flying. The campus was adorned with a myriad of colorful kites, creating a vibrant tapestry against the clear blue sky as students engaged in friendly duels, attempting to cut each other's kites with strategic moves and skillful techniques. Later at noon, we had the age-old tradition of pot Pongal being prepared live which was later savored by the students in no time.

Karnataka Rajyotsava



Karnataka Rajyotsava is celebrated in our college with great enthusiasm, highlighting the rich cultural heritage and traditions of the state. The event features a variety of performances and activities that reflect the spirit of Karnataka, such as soulful renditions of the State Anthem, energetic folk dances like Dholu Kunitha, and vibrant showcases by students. Unique elements like housekeeping staff participating in dance and open mic sessions add a heartfelt and inclusive touch. Traditional games such as Lagori, often played with prize money for winners and runners-up, bring students together in fun and camaraderie. The celebration often concludes with an enthralling Yakshagana performance, leaving the audience inspired and proud of Karnataka's legacy.

PRACTICAL MATTERS

THINGS TO BRING

Your luggage, which will consist of clothes, footwear, toiletries and other personal items.;

- Sports shoes (First years have compulsory Physical Education classes)
- Scientific calculator
- Lock and key for the room
- Shoulder/Laptop bag and water bottle
- Any medicine that you may require (There is no pharmacy inside the college but an outlet of Apollo pharmacy is located very close to the campus)
- Extension cord (Not mandatory but recommended)
- The following things will be available in the campus at competitive prices (can be brought from outside too): Mattress – 3x6 ft (Bigger size mattresses can be ordered) and bed sheets, pillows, bathroom supplies – buckets, mugs, soap, clothes hangers, etc.
- There is a D-Mart outlet located approximately 1.5 kms away from campus for purchasing necessary daily-use utilities, snacks and clothes. For any stationery related equipment, there is a store named Kumkum enterprises at a walking distance from the campus.

IMPORTANT

Electric appliances such as iron, stove, induction plate etc. are not permitted in hostel rooms. Use of these will attract punitive actions and penalties from the Institute.

First Year Is Chill!



In the soft glow of the hypothetical morning sun that follows the eclipse known as JEE begins your first year of college.

We've all been there—those few weeks of freedom after the most intense exam of your life, only to find yourself surrounded by hundreds of others just like you: fresh-eyed, unsure, and overwhelmed by the scale of change.

First year is... a lot. It's easy to get swept up in one thing or the other and let studying fall by the wayside. But the key to surviving—and thriving—is balance. Do study, even if it's just before the exam (trust me, first semester is the only one where you can pull that off). At the same time, don't limit yourself to academics. Explore everything college has to offer—fests, clubs, sports, and spontaneous late-night walks with friends.

College will be what you make of it. Carve out your own path. Talk to people (even if you're unsure about them at first). Participate in events (even if you're not great at them). Keep showing up. Keep trying.

It's the effort that will make your first year meaningful.

All the best—this is the beginning of something truly unforgettable.

— Shaivi Nandi
BT2024003

First Year Is Chill!

Back in school, I was super into dancing and all sorts of extra-curriculars. Like most people, I wasn't sure if college life at IIITB would give me the space to keep that going. But honestly, that changed the moment I met the seniors during the campus round.



They were so chill and open, sharing everything—from their JEE stories to how they balanced fun and academics. That's when I felt like, "Yeah, these are my kind of people."

First year here? A total ride. It's hectic, sure—studies keep you on your toes—but there's also so much happening around you if you're willing to explore. The key? Balance.

So here's my advice: don't skip induction events or workshops just for an extra hour in bed— you'll have plenty of time to sleep later (maybe). That extra hour of sleep till 12 PM isn't worth skipping a workshop where you might just discover something amazing. You'll meet tons of people and maybe even find "your" people. Try out different clubs attend everything that looks even mildly fun—you never know what you might end up loving. Once you figure that out, stick with what excites you the most and give them your energy.

Get ready for crazy nights, DJ parties, hackathons, birthday surprises, and last-minute submissions. It's all part of the fun. College is your canvas— paint it boldly.

— Shive S Bhat
BT2024067

First Year Is Chill!



I fondly remember my first year as a DSAI student at IIIT–Bangalore and how genuinely “chill” it felt. Sure, the second semester was a bit harder—with data structures and machine learning courses running in parallel the workload definitely increased.

There were nights when I was glued to my laptop to complete assignments, and moments when deadlines felt never–ending. But that intense hustle also taught me to slow down, soak in the quiet walks between classes, and savor the easy–going moments—like catching up with friends over coffee or relaxing near the pond after a packed day.

On the academic side, from day one, professors knew how to break down complex topics, and almost every course was hands–on. You’re given projects that force you to apply theory—whether it’s building a Python application or training a small machine–learning model. These projects help you see how everything fits together in real–world scenarios.

The campus never felt cramped. With multiple sports courts, a gym, and everything within walking distance, it was easy to balance academics and downtime. Waking up 10 minutes before a 9 a.m. class after an all–nighter? Totally doable.

My advice to juniors: embrace the workload—every lecture and project has a purpose—but don’t forget to unplug. Join a club, explore Bangalore, pull an all–nighter with friends. You’ll remember the bug–fixing marathons, but you’ll treasure the laughs, the fests, and the friends who helped you survive it all even more. The first year is truly chill, if you let it be.

– Shivansh Shah
BT2024243

First Year Is Chill!



First year has been one roller coaster of an experience for me. I've gained so much from it— my friends, the experiences, and the whole journey of seeing myself grow into who I am right now. Trust me, even if things don't go your way, just put in the work, be passionate and kind, and you'll have the best time here.

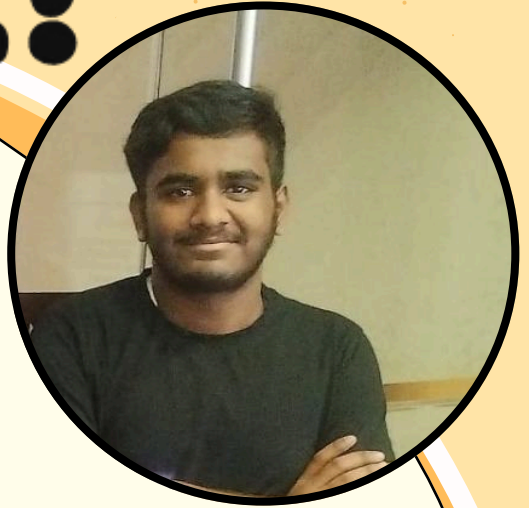
In first year, I learnt what true friendships are, how to cope with failure, and how to simply survive without losing myself. I learnt how to enjoy life in the moment because there's nothing like the present. There were nights when my friends and I would play music, go on spontaneous walks, or watch movies. We made core memories during every college event (Shoutout to Zense HackNite— an absolutely unmissable hackathon) and had the time of our lives. It's all about realizing that it's not always about academics— the little things matter too.

You're going to get into things you never even dreamed of doing. There's so much potential and so many opportunities when it comes to sports and cultural activities like music, dance, and art— and believe me, it's going to be one crazy learning experience.

It's a complete step out of your comfort zone. No one knows anyone well enough to form opinions, and that's the beauty of it. It's everyone's first time at college — so experiment, enjoy, make new friends, turn a new leaf, and have a blast, because there's truly no time like first year.

— Navya Balaji
BT2024262

First Year Is Chill!



Yeah, my first year at IIIT–B was chill. If your definition of “chill” is finally getting the chance to pursue that one really niche hobby (like running for 5 hours a day just because you like it), or getting to meet 200 people the same age as you and finding exactly who you vibe the most with, or even not getting out of bed all day (definitely not recommended), all while balancing a reasonable amount of academic workload, then the heading of this note is not capping.

About the campus size — hear me out here — it’s actually a blessing in disguise. Where else can you find the luxury of being able to wake up 5 minutes before class starts, brush your teeth, AND reach on time? You’ll actually be appreciating this when you go to sleep at 5 a.m. after 4 hours of either discussing the most useless topic on the planet, or studying for a quiz that day.

So yeah, welcome, little junior (you’re probably older than me, but still)! I hope you make lots of friends who stick with you throughout the crazy new experience and, in general, have as much of a blast as I did!

—Penumarti Hanish
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First Year Is Chill!



Hi Juniors!

First year is your time to explore! Try out anything and everything you want to, be it a new sport, making a short film, taking part in plays and other cultural activities. Explore the city with your new found friends, stay up late doing absolutely nothing productive, and just enjoy the freedom that comes with living away from home! The family you make here will be there with you and for you through all your ups and downs. Cherish all these moments and keep them close, because before you even know it, they'll just be memories.

As for my first year, it was an absolute joyride. I took part in plays organized by Parvaaz, the theatre club of our college, through which I was able to meet so many amazing and fun people! We won third place at my first inter-college competition at BITS-Goa, which was an absolutely unforgettable experience which I will cherish forever. I made a short film for Infin8- our college's cultural fest in under three days with a very very small crew, and ended up winning second place! I made so many meaningful friendships while working on group projects.

All in all, my advice to you is just to let go of your inhibitions and try random things! Don't forget to study a little throughout your semesters though, because before you realize it the exams will come around.

P.S.- Attend classes

-Thrishsa Arcot
BT2024024

DISCIPLINE

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. There should be complete silence on corridors near classrooms during class hours to maintain an academic atmosphere. Students must not loiter in the corridors during class hours.
2. No student is allowed to leave the lecture hall without the faculty's permission or until the lecture is finished.
3. Students are not permitted to smoke or use tobacco, alcohol or any such substance on the institute campus. They are liable to severe disciplinary action (even dismissal) if found violating the norms on the campus.
4. Strict disciplinary action (even dismissal) will be taken against any student found in possession of, or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
5. Ragging is forbidden by the laws of the country. Students found ragging will be handed over to the police. They may be dismissed from the institute.
6. Unbecoming language or conduct, obscenity in word or deed renders a student liable to disciplinary action which may involve suspension, fine or dismissal.
7. The campus must be kept clean at all times. Littering with wrappers, waste paper, defacing the walls or desks, damaging the institute property etc. are offences and are liable for punitive action.

8. Though the institute is not responsible for the conduct of its students outside the premises, it will take note of any serious misconduct outside the campus.
9. Students must observe punctuality. At the discretion of the course instructor, the student may be permitted to enter the classroom if they are late. However, if the student is regularly late to the class, they may not be permitted to attend classes.
10. Every student is required to carry their identity card in the institute and display it whenever required. The card should be shown to any member of the staff or institute officials whenever asked for. These identity cards are also used for recording the movement (entry/exit) of the students.
11. The institute expects every student to take active participation in non-academic functions and cultural programs. However, such events shall be held only after class hours. Practice for all programs should be held outside of class hours.

VISITORS

Timings on regular days for visitors to the campus are between 10 AM and 7 PM. Nobody except the students are allowed to be in the hostel rooms at any time during their stay at IIIT-B. This ensures the privacy and safety of you and the students around you.

LAPTOP GUIDE

Choosing the right laptop for you can play a significant role in easing your life for the next 4 or 5 years. Here's a short guide to help you get the basics and some absolute do's and don'ts to keep in mind. As always, we strongly recommend you to do your own research aside from this, and try to look at reviews from Youtube or other resources.

WINDOWS Laptops:

- **PROCESSOR:** We would suggest choosing between an Intel i5 or i7. On the AMD side, Ryzen 5 or Ryzen 7 is recommended. While i5 or Ryzen 5 will suffice for most college tasks, opting for i7 or Ryzen 7 will make computationally heavy tasks easier and faster, ideal for compiling software, editing videos, and working with large databases. However they may offer a slightly worse battery life.

NOTE: It is advisable not to buy laptops with Snapdragon CPU's since a lot of apps that you might use in your courses may not be supported as of today.

- **RAM:** A minimum of 16 GB of RAM is recommended especially since you will be running multiple apps at times and multitasking will be smoother with more RAM. More RAM also allows for smooth video editing and running heavy programs. More RAM will also future proof your laptop, so it is highly recommended.
- **STORAGE:** We strongly recommend buying a laptop with SSD, as there is a night and day difference in boot time and overall experience in using SSD's vs HDD's. However laptops with both SSD and HDD are great too if you need the extra storage. While 256 GB storage might suffice, 512 GB storage is recommended since you will be dual booting your laptop too and you will lose a considerable amount of storage there.
- **GRAPHICS CARD:** Integrated Graphics Card which is built into the CPU is ENOUGH for everyday use and all academic purposes. However if you wish to play video games or do lots of video editing, only then buy a laptop with a dedicated GPU. Mostly Nvidia and AMD offer dedicated GPU's on laptops. (Completely optional)
 1. Nvidia GPU's: RTX 3050/3060 should be enough for most people, but if you really want to spend more and get more performance then choose a RTX 4050/4060. Only thing to keep in mind is ensure that the GPU's TDP is above 90 Watts, else it offers very poor performance. (Some laptops may have a RTX 3060/4060 but offer only 65 – 75 Watts TDP on the GPU, which will perform worse than a 3050/4050 which has 110 Watts TDP)

2. AMD's Radeon GPU's: If you want their absolute best laptop GPU's, look for Radeon RX 6000/7000 series like RX 7800M or RX 6700S where S = Slim laptops, M = Mainstream/High-performance laptops. For casual video editing or casual gaming with medium settings, Radeon Pro 6000/7000 series should be good enough and you will save a lot of money.

NOTE: Even for ML purposes, you won't need a dedicated GPU as most of the work will be done on the cloud.

- **SCREEN SIZE:** Opt for 13–16 inches for portability and usability, but it is better if you get an idea of what is suitable for you by viewing laptops in offline stores. 17 inches and above is bulky for most, and is harder to carry in laptop bags too, but can be managed.
- **ADDITIONAL FEATURES:** Make sure that the laptop you buy has decent build quality which you can see in reviews online or go see the laptop in offline stores. Ensure a battery life of over 8 hours, especially for long college days. Gaming laptops will have a poor battery life, so if you are planning on buying one, ensure it has a great battery life so it doesn't drain out too fast. (Above 70 Whr should be good enough)

MACBOOK AIR:

If you don't have any interest in gaming and have a budget of over 80k, buying a MacBook may seem like the obvious choice for its excellent screens, unmatched battery life and light weight yet durable build quality. Some things to keep in mind before buying a MacBook Air:

1. Do not buy the old MacBook Air laptops with intel CPU's in them, as they are terrible in performance and battery life.
2. Most students don't exploit the full power of a MacBook Air itself, and hence it may make sense to not buy a MacBook Pro (unless u want to flex hehe)... If you have the budget it is instead advisable to buy more storage and RAM on your MacBook Air itself as it will make a huge difference.
3. If possible, buy it from the official website with the student discount offer and other accessories that they might provide for free.
4. An M2 MacBook Air does the job for most people, but if you prefer a larger screen size (15 inch) and a bit more battery life and performance, you can opt for M2 or M3 or M4 with 15 inch screen if it suits your budget.
5. 16 GB of RAM on your MacBook is the minimum RAM required as you might feel the difference 3–4 years down the line.
6. A MacBook is not advisable to ECE students since some software that you use in your electronics courses may not be compatible with MacBooks.

As always, do your own extensive research, and don't overspend more than you need. Armed with this knowledge, we hope you can make an informed decision and feel content with whatever you purchase. Happy shopping!

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To all the freshmen, welcome! We wish you a joyful and fulfilling college experience. Make the most of every moment and create memories you'll always treasure.

Cheers, and welcome!

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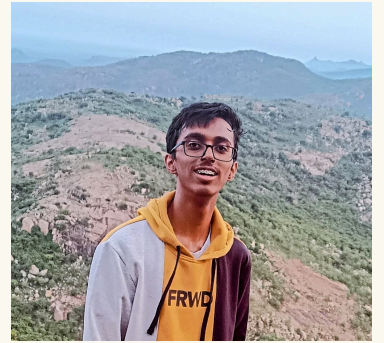
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