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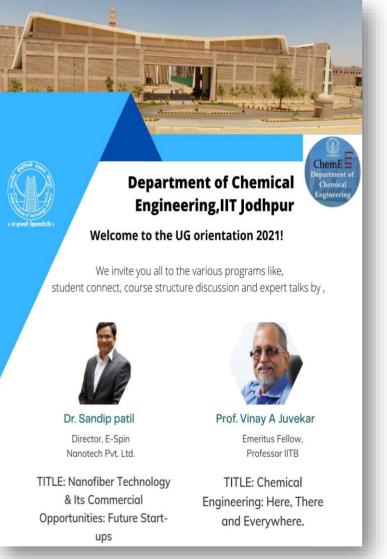
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### **Student Corner**

#### **UG Orientation**

The UG orientation comprised expert talks by Dr. Sandip Patil, Director E spins Nanotech Pvt Ltd. and Prof. Vinay A Juvekar, Emeritus Fellow, Professor IITB. The titles of the expert talks were: "Nanofiber. Technology and its Commercial Opportunities: Future Start-ups" & "Chemical Engineering: Here, There and Everywhere". The BTech sophomore batch gave a departmental orientation, and the 1st year students were introduced to the DSAC, i.e., the Departmental Student Activity Council. The orientation program ended with a fun quiz where all the students had a lively interaction with each other.



#### **Economic Times Campus Stars 4.0**

The Economic Times organized Campus Stars, an event for 3rd and 4th-year undergrads that helps build competitive spirit and communicative readiness. It is one of India's largest hunt for the brightest engineering minds. The event consisted of four rounds, focusing on Aptitude, Cognitive and Personality Assessment in the first round. Next up was the Domain Knowledge Assessment which contained MCQs from the student's domain of study (for me, it was chemical engineeringbased). The third round had a GD and a group activity amongst unknown participants. The final round was a one to one interview with a startup founder, which for me was Sir Manish Kumar, co-founder of RealX and GREX. All in all a complete package and an experience to behold by all pre and final year students.

- Chris Tomsy



#### Hack of Pi

Hack of PI is a Global Hackathon of PAN IIT, organized by the global virtual technology summit on 16th September 2021. The Hackathon consisted of 3806 teams that submitted their ideas through online mode. On behalf of IIT Jodhpur, participants were:

Dr. Deepak Arora (Associate professor) Vikram Singh Jat (M.tech, 2nd year) Abhay Singh (Eeki foods, CEO) Amit Kumar (Eeki foods, CEO).

They clinched their position in the top 1% by registering themselves for the semi-finals in the summit.

- Vikram Singh Jat

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### Indo-German Collaboration Workshop on Advanced Wastewater Treatment

Fraunhofer has partnered with Jodhpur City Knowledge and Innovation Cluster (JCKIC), an S&T Cluster at IIT Jodhpur. This cooperation aims to develop an innovative and sustainable water management strategy for Jodhpur industrial cluster and establish a Water Innovation Hub for long-term collaboration between local industry and German institutes and companies. A workshop on "Indo-German Collaboration for Advanced Wastewater Treatment at Sangaria CETP" on October 28th, 2021, was organized. Mr. Peter Althaus, Head of India Chapter of German Water Partnership, initiated the workshop. In the German Water Partnership, roughly 350 members cover the broad range of the German water and sanitation sector. A presentation followed this by Prof. Pradip K. Tewari, Head of the Chemical Engineering Department, IIT Jodhpur, titled "Water and Wastewater in Jodhpur: JCKIC Scope and Objectives." He summarized the water issues and the activities carried out to date. Dr. Marius Mohr, Fraunhofer Institute for Interfacial Engineering and Biotechnology (IGB), highlighted their cooperation with India. Fraunhofer IGB has been active in India since 2017 in water management, which includes collaboration with CSIR-NEERI, Solapur Water Management Project, and various other projects.



Later, Jodhpur Pollution Control and Research Foundation (JPCRF), Sangaria, Jodhpur, presented a brief outline of CETP Sangaria's process and the underlying technical problems. The workshop concluded after a session of formulating research questions and next steps.

- Yogendra Chouhan

### **Department Webinar Series**

Dr. Jessica Zimberlin

(Senior Patent Agent at Cantor Colburn LLP, USA.) delivered an expert talk on "Patent training" on 12th October 2021.



The talk provided an overview of the patent system from a global perspective with some focus on the US patent system. The topics discussed ranged from patents and their various rights provided to conditions for patentability, the process to obtain a patent and a few tips to prepare disclosure to help get the broadest protection. Dr. Muralidhara Anandamurthy (Academic Ambassador at JMP GLOBAL TEAM) delivered an expert talk on "Statistical & Analytical Application" on 23rd December 2021.



The talk provided an overview of the statistical journey ofD2D (Data to Decision) which helps in decision making and minimizing uncertainty. Illustrated details about optimization with maximum desirability based on experiments and processes using JMP.

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### **Faculty Corner: CIPET Visit**

Dr. Deepak Arora, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, IIT Jodhpur, and M.Tech (Chemical Engineering) students Yogendra Chouhan and Vikram Singh Jat visited the CIPET Jaipur campus on 8th December 2021. Dr. Syed Amanulla, Director and Head, CIPET-IPT, and Mr. Sanjay Choudhry, Director and Head CIPET-CSTS, organized and facilitated the visit, including laboratories.

Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering and Technology (CIPET) is a premier Government of India institute for higher & technical education and research in polymer science and technology. CIPET has a vision of becoming the apex institute of international repute in the field of polymer science and technology and ensuring sustainable growth. Dr. Deepak interacted with CIPET Jaipur: IPT Director and Head - Dr. Syed Amanulla and CIPET, Jaipur: CSTS Director and Head - Mr. Sanjay Choudhry. Dr. Syed and Mr. Sanjay briefed about the programs and professional degree courses offered by the institute and shared ideas on sustainable development in plastic technology.

workshop conducted in which Α was instrumentation used for electrodeposition, CNC, Rotomolding, Injection Molding, Stretch Blow Molding. Pulverizer. etc. were explained. Polycarbonate based power junction case samples prepared by CIPET were also showcased. The institute being quite self-efficient, had a good amount of modern-day equipment like FTIR Spectrometer, UV weathering chamber, UTM, DSC, TGA Machine, etc.

A talk was given by Dr. Deepak Arora, where he explained the fundamentals of polymers with the help of examples and introduced the Department of Chemical Engineering, IIT Jodhpur. After the great talk, there were two short ppt sessions by M.Tech students Vikram and Yogendra. They talked about their M.Tech project in polymer science and advanced wastewater treatment, respectively. Undergraduate students and faculty members attended the whole session.

- Vikram Singh Jat



### **Faculty Corner: Research Grants**

Dr. Vikky Anand received SERB SRG grant for his project titled "Electrodesalting of water-in-oil emulsion: An experiment, designed to scale up to smart electrocoaleser". He also received the institute seed grant to work on oil-water emulsions.

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