Srujanankura’19 and Anveshan: More than just memories

There’s one time in the year, when for college students all roads don’t lead to the classrooms. Yes, we are talking about the Srujanankura- National Level Tech Extravaganza ’19 (sponsored by ISRO and co-sponsored by daikin, Ultratech Cement, Paramount Building, ECIL, Kveera Furnoture, Santhi Art Gallery & Kanakadurga Agencies) and Anveshan - South Zone Inter University student research convention. VFSTR has transformed itself and moves away from its mundane routine, while also opening the doors to students from across the country.

Students get the chance to interact with others, learn from them and have a whole lot of fun. And all of this was also seen at VFSTR’s Srujanankura- 2k19(21st – 23rd Feb) and Anveshan (22nd & 23rd Feb). The first day of the Srujanankura fest saw students participating from more than 20 institutes, 3000 registrations and 477 visitors.

Exceptional, Exciting and Enthralling

Every college fest is a getaway for the students from their classes and assignments. Instead, they learn more about organizational skills and leadership. But not to forget, all of it is done with a lot of fun.

VFSTR( Deemed to be University) is in the rural area of Vadlamudi, on the southeastern part of Guntur City region and has been bringing out the potential students with a sense of excellence, strong social commitment and a passion for value system and Srujanankura is one of the many steps in this regard for providing an all-round education to the students.

Keeping the same in mind, this year’s Srujanankura-19 is Exceptional, Exciting and Enthralling. From events like Project Expo, Food Stalls to a plethora of cultural managed to keep all the participating students excited.

Speaking on the first day of the fest at an informal meeting, Vice Chancellor Dr. M.Y.S Prasad appreciated the efforts put in by the students for organizing Srujanankura and said, “Competition during Srujanankura helps nurture the exciting culture of VFSTR. VFSTR prides itself in creating leaders that are well-rounded and many events are a reflection of the well-roundedness of our students”.

“The learning that happens at a fest, be it the experience of being a team player, is no match to a classroom atmosphere. It builds the feeling that you’re part of the college. You’ll find yourself in moments like these, your interests, culture, fine arts says, Shabana of III ECE of VFSTR.

Then there are students who’re just finding their way, like Aishwarya, a first year student of Vignan’s Nirula, looking forward to fests for a possible direction. “I’ve attended three fests at different colleges now. It was challenging to know to the standards I’ve to match up to. Having ambitions to lead and organize such fests myself, I felt it necessary to be a part of them.”

Srujanankura and Anveshan to ignite young minds

Srujanankura- National Level Tech Extravaganza(21st – 23rd Feb) and Anveshan -South Zone Inter University student research convention(22nd & 23rd Feb) has officially inaugurated on Friday by Renowned scientist Guntur Nageswara Rao, Chairman of Atomic Energy Regulatory Board(AERB).

Around 30 universities from South India had participated in these two mega events of VFSTR.
**Human mind is always innovative**

Mr. Nageswara Rao said humans have a unique power, the power of thinking, the power of innovation: encompassing intellectual, emotional and spiritual intelligence.

Who can innovate? Can any common person innovate, can you innovate? Anyone can innovate. The answer lies in the power of human imagination. It all starts with a single innovative thought in our conscious mind, which can transform into an action with the right level of passion, and into an impactful outcome with the right level of effort, said Mr. Nageswara Rao.

Continuous practice of paying attention to the thoughts and ideas soon results in innovation being a habit of our sub-conscious mind, eventually to becoming an innovative personality. Research indicates that an innovative mind is not necessarily born, it can be developed through techniques of observing and thinking, he added.

**Non-renewable energy will fuel country soon**

AERB chief said that the power generated from non-renewable energy resources like wind, solar and water would fuel the nation soon and the country was poised to become the leader in electricity generation.

“Atomic power plants could be set up after adhering to the conditions of the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board, which takes into consideration soil condition, local conditions and pollution emission levels,” he added.

He dismissed rumours that radiation would cause cancer and said he had been working in the fields related to radiation for over 30 years and remained healthy.

**Learn the technique of learning through Projects**

Vice Chancellor, Dr. M.Y.S Prasad, Former Director of ISRO said that the these type of events are to create the temper of competition and make the students understand the concept of Project-focus learning. He also said that R19 curriculum will be have a weight age of 25 credits out of 175.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman, Dr. L. Rathaiah proudly informed the gathering that the project of EEE department got the patent rights from USA which no other local universities have the foreign patents.

He also said that, these kinds of events not only develop scientific temper among the students but also develops their social skills.

Dr. Amarendra Pani, Director I/C, and Dr. Usha Rai Negi, Assistant Director, Research Division, AIU, New Delhi also took part in the event.

**Switch on Cultural Night with VFSTR**

The best way to enjoy art, music and culture is in the dark. After all, before a movie at the cinema the lights are turned off, before a performance theater also turns off all lights, before orchestra or group
performance concert hall are darkened. Only darkness lets us dive into the culture, also it releases our imagination and let us to enjoy the surrounding processes.

Often transcending different languages, students’ performance from the native and sister institutes left the audience spellbound and asking for more. Singing and dancing along to one soulful number after another, the sheer energy in the U-Block OAT (first day) and Convocation Hall (second day) was indeed palpable.

The two day cultural night closed with all the participants hitting the stage and dancing to some great music. The cultural night was full of discoveries, fun and loads of laughter to let the attendees unleash their wanderlust explore the extravaganza and take back memories to last a lifetime.

**Srujanankura and Anveshan Concludes -Tech Fest fillip to student Creativity & Innovation**

The three-day mega events, Srujunankura and Anveshan was an electrifying and memorable experience for every student.

BHVS Narayana Murthy, Director Research Centre Imarat, Hyderabad DRDO was the Chief Guest for the valedictory function.

Speaking at the Vailedictory function, Mr. Narayana Murthy said Research experience benefits you to get a leg up on graduate while Contributing knowledge and impacting the world. He also said that Exposure to research and innovation as undergraduates can also increase the likelihood of becoming successful researchers in the future.

**Success is a journey not a destination**

Mr. Murthy cautioned that Success doesn’t stop at one point. The students should not to take it granted if they reach the success ladder as the success ladder changes from time to time.

Mr. Murthy also said that Awareness is first and foremost the key to success in engaging the student. Academicians need to be aware of their students’ potential interest in research as a career, as a work-experience opportunity, or in the classroom. The adviser can intermittently gauge interest in research during students’ meetings, and when necessary, provide the right guidance about getting involved. On the students’ part, they first need to be aware of advising services, as well as know academic advisers are able to provide research connections, in addition to general course/degree advice.

**Collaboration**

Mr. Murthy at the end of his speech said that, Research Centre Imarat, Hyderabad DRDO will always welcome the students across the country to encourage the budding researchers. He cordially welcomed the students of Vignan to associate with the DRDO centre, Hyderabad.

**Smooth Conduction of two mega Events**

Dr. L. Rathaiah expressed his gratitude towards the students attended from various premier institutions of South India. He said, Around 758 projects were displayed from various institutions including VFSTR and up to 5 Lakh cash was presented to the winners.
“The fest was informative and a memorable experience,” stated Surabhi P. of Bapatla Engineering College.

A significant number of first-year student from Reva University, Bangalore who had participated are overwhelmed by the two mega events.