

RVU's Pursuit of Excellence



Message from the Vice Chancellor

This quarter marked an important phase in RV University's journey, with new beginnings, academic milestones and a growing community across its two campuses.

At the Mysuru campus, we welcomed our first pioneer batch of students, marking the start of a new chapter for RVU. In Bengaluru, we welcomed a new cohort, bringing fresh energy and ideas to campus life. Together, our two campuses now have a student strength of around 9,000, reflecting the university's steady growth.

A key milestone this quarter was the 4th Convocation, where 918 students graduated and took the next step in their academic and professional journeys. Their achievements reflect the effort of our students, faculty and staff, and the role of the university in preparing young people for the world ahead.

Across both campuses, the quarter saw a range of academic and co-curricular activities. Lectures, workshops, hackathons and professional development programmes gave students opportunities to learn beyond the classroom, exchange ideas and apply their knowledge.

Another good news from the quarter was that our doctoral scholar Mr. Akshay J. Mashelkar received the Grassroots Innovator Recognition 2026 from the President of India. New collaborations and partnerships such as the MoU with Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement (GRAAM) also strengthened our links with industry, academia and other institutions, opening up opportunities for learning and growth.

The quarter has set the stage for the next phase of this journey, guided by our commitment to *Excellence in Education with Societal Commitment*.



Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani
Vice Chancellor,
RV University

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Announcements



RVU Mysuru welcomes its first batch; Bengaluru campus hosts 6th cohort

RV University on 23 August 2026 inducted the founding batch of its Mysuru campus at Navodaya, the University's annual induction ceremony, with a new beginning for over 1,300 students. Mr. Darshan Dhruvanarayana, MLA, Nanjangud Constituency, was the chief guest. In Bengaluru, RVU held its sixth Navodaya for the UG programmes on 26 July 2026 and 28 August 2026. RVU welcomed the 2,000+ students along with four chief guests across four sessions.

Mr. Prameet Kamat, EVP and Business Head at Coromandel International Ltd, addressed students of the School of Economics and Business (SoEB) and their parents. Mr. Kiran Khalap, Co-founder and Managing Director of chlorophyll, Mumbai, addressed students of the Schools of Liberal Arts and Sciences (SoLAS), Design and Innovation (SDI) and their parents. Prof. (Dr.) V.C. Vivekanandan, Vice Chancellor, Hidayatullah National Law University, Chhattisgarh, addressed students of the School of Law (SoL) and the School of Film, Media, and Creative Arts (SoFMCA) and their parents. For the students of School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) and the School of Allied Healthcare Professionals (SoAHP), Ms. Girija Kolagada, Vice President, APAC HR Business Partnering and India Country Leader, Progress Software, was the chief guest.

A total of 296 students were awarded RV University Scholarship for the academic year 2026-27 based on their excellent performance. Also, an induction programme introducing the new batch of students to departments and schools was held. As part of it, RVU Santhe was organised on 31 July 2026 and more than 35 clubs showcased their work.





RVU hosts 4th Convocation; 918 students graduate



RV University marked its 4th convocation on 28 August 2026 with a gathering of graduating students, families, faculty members and academic and industry leaders. The convocation saw 918 students graduate from the university, including two Ph.D. scholars and 42 students were recognised as rank holders. Addressing the graduates, Chief Guest Shri Ritesh Kumar Singh, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Karnataka, underlined the importance of mentorship, collaboration and service to the society. He encouraged the students to remain adaptable and to approach the opportunities and uncertainties ahead with a strong sense of responsibility.





Prof. Sujata Bali, an academician, researcher and legal-education administrator with over two decades of experience, was appointed as the new Dean of SoL.

Prof. Sujata appointed Dean of SoL

RVU was honoured in THE WEEK–Hansa Research Best Universities Survey 2026. It was ranked 101st among Multidisciplinary Universities in India and 6th among Emerging Multidisciplinary Universities –South Zone.



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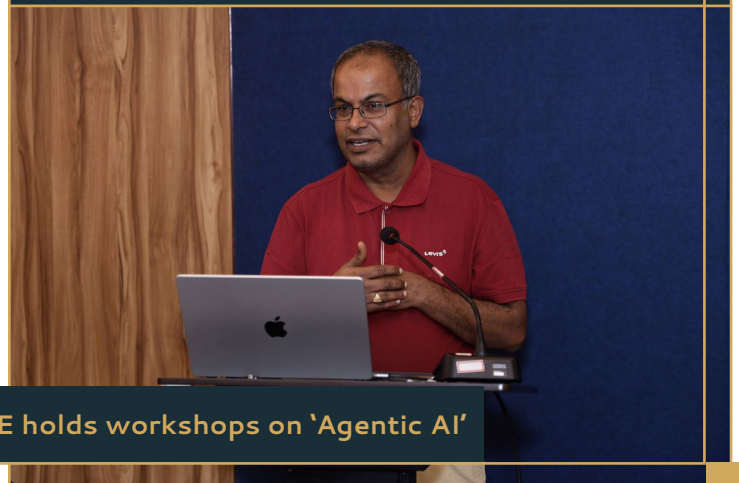
Lecture Series and Workshops



RVU faculty members attend FDP

SoCSE and the Center for Applied and Responsible AI (CARA) in association with Neysa organised 'Build, Don't Just Predict: 2-Day Hands-On Workshop on Agentic AI' for faculty members, researchers, PG scholars and industry professionals from 13 to 15 July 2026.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao Aravilli, Senior Director of Machine Learning Engineering at Capital One, Mr. Harikumar VPS, Professor of Practice at RVU, Mr. Mohan Raj Davala, AI Cloud Solution Architect at Neysa, Ms. Sowmya Agrawal, Account Executive (Education & Research) at Neysa, were the speakers. The panel members consisted of industry leaders representing IBM, Innspark Solutions, MahaSemi, and Nokia Networks. SoCSE also organised a workshop titled 'The Agentic 180: A Friday Afternoon from No Code to Know Code' for students, faculty and researchers on 11 Sep 2026 and Mr. Harikumar was the resource person.



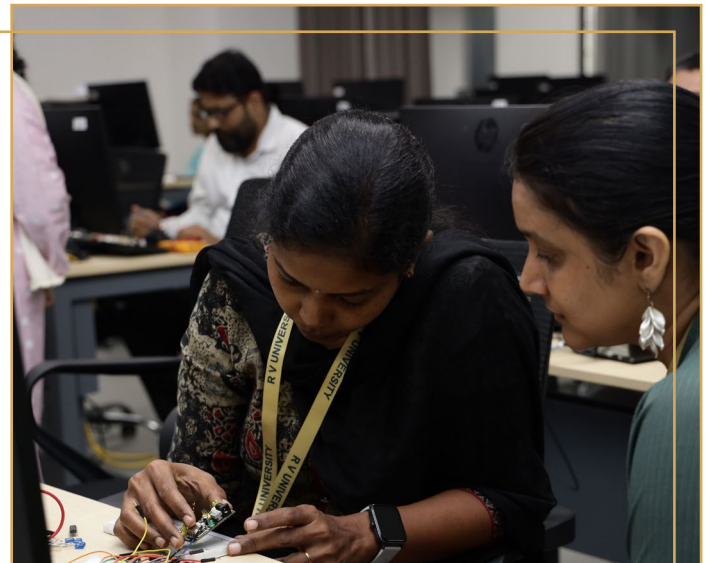
SoCSE holds workshops on 'Agentic AI'



SoCSE conducts workshop on Industry 5.0

SoCSE in collaboration with CMTI & FESTO India Pvt. Ltd. organised a workshop on 'Industry 5.0: Integrating Smart Manufacturing, Robotics and AI' from 20 to 22 July 2026. Mr. Narendra Reddy, Ms. Megha Agrawal and Mr. Bhavya Verma of CMTI, Prof. Santhakumar Mohan of IIT Palakkad, Mr. Rathish Kumar K. P. of Festo India Pvt. Ltd were the speakers. The 40 participants comprised faculty members and research staff from RVU, along with delegates from other colleges and industry.

SoCSE organised a 5-Day Hands-on FDP titled 'From Hardware-Centric System Design to Edge-Intelligent IoT Systems: A Faculty Development Programme on Emerging Technologies' under the Centre of IoT & Edge Computing for over 20 faculty, other staff members and Ph.D. scholars across disciplines from 20 to 24 July 2026. The workshop covered student centric & active learning, foundations of effective teaching and AI tools for teachers. Mr. Kanagasundaram K., Principal Technical Specialist, Nokia, and Ms. Astha Sharma, Principal Consultant, Nokia, were the resource people.



SoCSE holds FDP on Emerging Technologies



SoLAS organises workshop on Formative Reading

SoLAS held a two-day Faculty Workshop on Formative Reading which was delivered by Mr. V. Krishnappa, Professor of Liberal Studies, SoLAS, on 21 and 22 July 2026. Facilitated by SoLAS Assistant Professors Dr. Abhishek Chatterjee, Dr. Sudhindra Maganahalli and Dr. Jivitesh Patil, the workshop focused on improving classroom dialogue, interpretive patience and engagement with complexity, uncertainty and ambiguity.

As part of RVU Intellect Series-XIII, Dr. Srinivas Tatiraju, Principal Process Control Engineer at Shell India, delivered a talk on 'Refinery Automation and Optimisation: Navigating Challenges and Unlocking Opportunities' on 22 July 2026. In the next chapter of the Intellect Series, Mr. Shivayogi Kalasad, CEO, Brigade Foundation, delivered a talk titled 'Purpose-Driven Leadership: Building Institutions, Empowering Communities and Creating Lasting Social Impact' on 7 August 2026. Leadership Essentials was the theme of the XV edition of the Intellect Series. Dr. N. S. Sreenath, Former Country Head, Merck & Former CEO – Biovet, Bharat Biotech International Limited, delivered the talk on 2 September 2026. In the next edition of the series, Prof. Subir Sen, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, delivered a talk on 'Climate Change and Hill Agriculture: Unforeseen Field Experiences and Learnings' on 16 September 2026.



RVU Intellect Series: Dr. Srinivas delivers talk on Refinery Automation and Optimisation



Asha and Anganwadi workers take part in conference on infant feeding

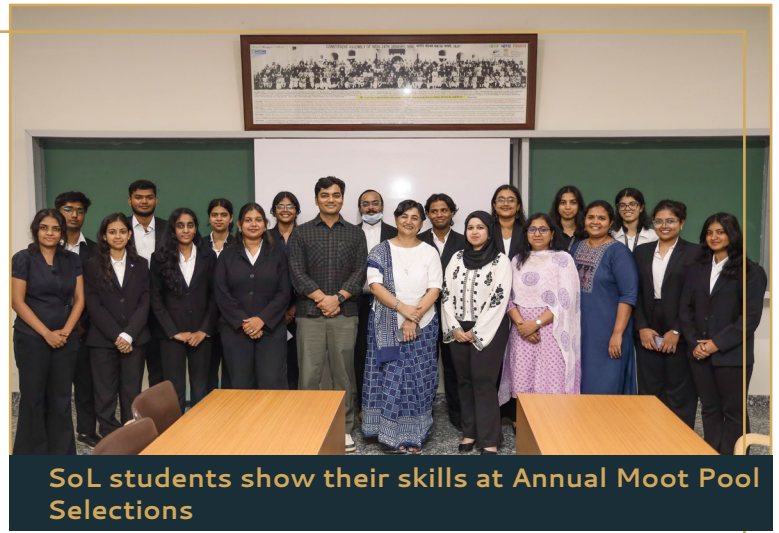
The Centre for Global Health and Development, RVU, and Open University, UK, organised a conference on 'Nurturing Tomorrow: Building Action Networks for Infant Feeding' as part of World Breastfeeding Week 2026 for more than 40 Asha, and Anganwadi workers, RVU staff and government officials on 3 August 2026. The keynote address on Human Milk Banking was delivered by neonatologist Dr. Armida Fernandez. In the first panel discussion, Dr. Ranjini C. R., Executive Director, Centre for Global Health and Development, chaired and it was attended by hematoncologist Dr. Anamika Bakliwal, Dr. Payal Biswas Soo, Co-Founder and Director, Institute of Human Science for Holistic Health, and representatives from the government. The second session was chaired by Dr. Susan Newman, Professor, Open University, UK, and was attended by Dr. Sushma Nangia, Professor of Excellence, Neonatology, Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi; Dr. Nupur Bidla, Central Coordinator, Breastfeeding Promotion Network of India and Dr. Manjulika Vaz, Associate Professor, St John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bengaluru.



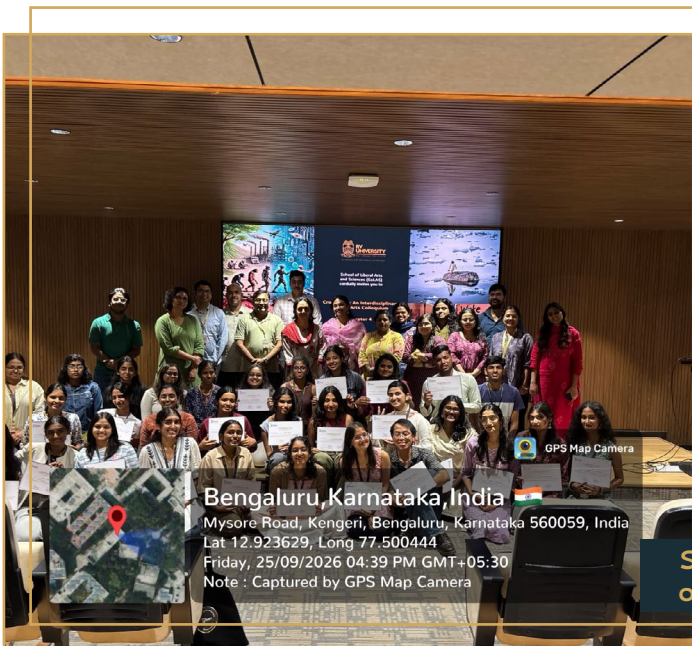
SoLAS organised a guest lecture titled 'Managing University Stress and Anxiety' under its Psychology Programme for faculty members and students on 6 August 2026. The talk was delivered by international speaker, educator and writer Ms. Sanah Thakur and Chartered Psychologist with the British Psychological Society Mr. Martyn Stewart. In another engaging session on 3 September 2026, the Centre for Literary Studies and Translation at SoLAS hosted Prof. (Retd.) Ipshita Chanda from the Department of Comparative Literature and India Studies, EFLU, Hyderabad, for a talk titled 'Literature: Theory or Poetics?'

SoLAS holds guest lectures on stress and anxiety; invites Prof. Ipshita for talk on Literature: Theory or Poetics?

The RVU Moot Court Association, SoL, organised the 3rd RVU Annual Moot Pool Selections for B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) and BBA LL.B. (Hons.) students on 20 and 21 August 2026. Adv. Misbah Shan, Associate at Dhvani Legal Trust, and Adv. Saneeya Hidayath, an independent practitioner at the Karnataka High Court, evaluated students on their legal research, memorial drafting, analytical reasoning and oral advocacy skills. The selections aimed to identify students for the Moot Court Pool, who will represent RVU in external moot court competitions.



SoL students show their skills at Annual Moot Pool Selections



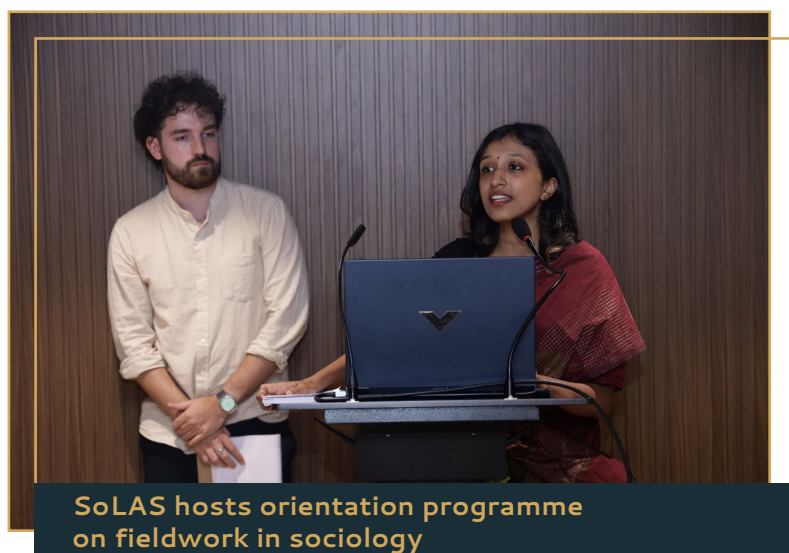
SoLAS organised 'Crossroads: An Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts Colloquium' on 4, 11, 18, and 25 September 2026. Crossroads was a weekly interdisciplinary forum where students responded to a single shared topic, each from the vantage point of the different disciplines housed within SoLAS. The participants saw how the same question is framed, evidenced, argued, and approached differently across disciplines.

SoLAS holds colloquium on Crossroads

SoCSE conducted Engineers' Day 2026 celebration on 14 September 2026, encouraging participation, creativity, and awareness about the role and importance of engineering in daily life. The event featured an address by the Dean of SoCSE, interactive activities for faculty members and a video presentation highlighting Engineers' Day and the valuable contributions of engineers to society and technological development.



SoCSE celebrates Engineers' Day



SoLAS hosts orientation programme on fieldwork in sociology

The Sociology Programme in SoLAS organised a one-day orientation programme on fieldwork in sociology on 15 September 2026 where students learned the basics of what 'the field' means. The speakers were Dr. Irudaya Rajan, Former Professor at the Centre for Development Studies, Kerala; Mr. Elliot McGrath, Research Assistant, International Institute of Migration and Development; and Ms. Sneha S. Najeeb, Research Associate, International Institute of Migration and Development.

RV University and SDI were the sponsors and partners of the 2026 edition of BLR Design Week, organised by the Association of Designers of India from 24 to 27 September 2027. As part of this collaboration, Mr. Karthick B., Associate Professor, SDI, led a session titled 'AR Unleashed: Create Your First Snapchat Lens' while Prof. Kirthana Sudhakar, Assistant Professor, SDI, led a session titled 'Material Afterlife: Turning Lab Waste into Spatial Prototypes'. Union Education Minister Mr. Prahlad Joshi visited the SDI stall at IISc, Bengaluru, and took note of the innovative work of the design students.

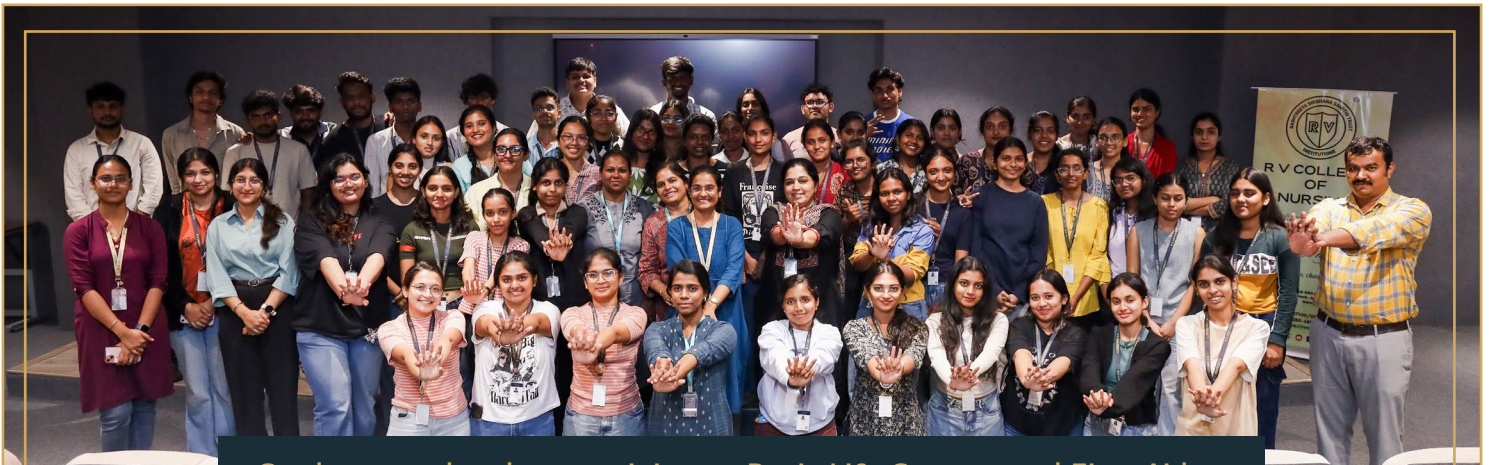


BLR Design Week: Union Education Minister Mr. Prahlad Joshi visits SDI stall



SoCSE held its technical fest Kalpavikas 2.0 on 25 and 26 September 2026 with students competing in hackathons and coding contests, pitching ideas, learning new tools in hands-on workshops, and unwinding with gaming, AR/VR and skateboarding.

SoCSE holds Kalpavikas 2.0



Students get hands-on training on Basic Life Support and First Aid

Students got a hands-on training on Basic Life Support (BLS) and First Aid in a programme organised by SoAHP in collaboration with the RV College of Nursing as part of the World Heart Day 2026 commemoration on 28 September 2026. The BLS session, conducted by five trainers, introduced students to the importance of early recognition and appropriate response during life-threatening emergencies.

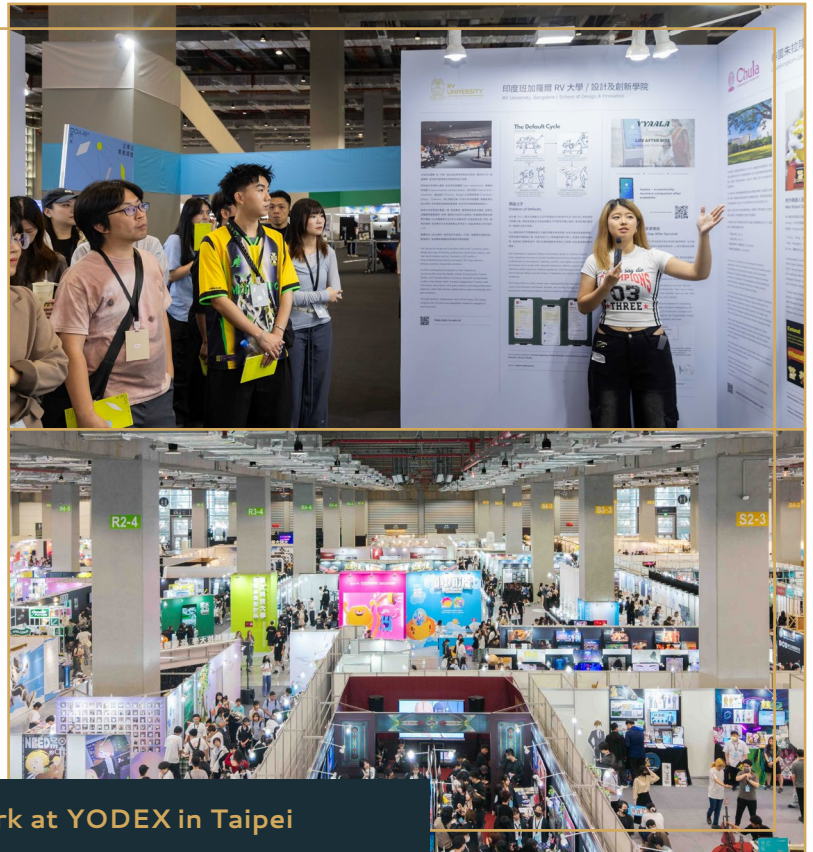
Internationalism



Prof. Jack Fletcher, Lecturer in Video Game Design, Teesside University, UK, delivered a talk titled 'Breaking into the Games Industry' for the 20 faculty members of SDI on 22 July 2026. Prof. Fletcher teaches aspiring game designers while collaborating with the faculty who once mentored him.

Prof. Jack Fletcher of Teesside University delivers talk on Games Industry

The students at SDI showcased their work at the 2026 YODEX (Young Designers' Exhibition) organised by the Taiwan Design Research Institute (TDRI), Taipei, from 22 to 25 May 2026. The SDI students' work was showcased at Overseas Universities Joint Exhibition Zone alongside 21 other leading international design schools from Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Poland, Thailand, and the USA. The exhibited work emerged from TD Studio 7, the Semester 7 Transdisciplinary Studio, where students tackled systemic, SDG-aligned challenges spanning snakebite and rural health, migration, financial scams, and digital wellbeing.



SDI students showcase work at YODEX in Taipei



B.Tech students take part in 16th IEEE Region 10 Symposium in Malaysia

B.Tech (Hons.) SoCSE students Pranav Pacha, Santosh Gadale, and Rashi Jajodia represented the university at the prestigious 16th IEEE Region 10 Symposium (TENSYP 2026) in Malaysia from 29 June to 1 July 2026.

The trio presented their research paper: 'Model Compression of Pre-Trained Transformers: A Comparative Study of Sequential Techniques on Efficiency and Accuracy Trade-Offs.' Co-authored by Prathyush Menon and Risha N., and guided by SoCSE Assistant Professor Dr. K. C. Narendra, the paper presents a systematic evaluation of four sequential compression pipelines — Pruning–Knowledge Distillation–Quantization (PKDQ), Low-Rank Factorization–Pruning–Quantization (LFPQ), Knowledge Distillation–Quantization (KDQ), and Pruning–Quantization (PQ). This was applied across four major Transformer architectures (ELECTRA, RoBERTa, GPT-2, and T5), examining the resulting trade-offs between compression ratio, inference latency, and accuracy retention.

The silent film 'The Witch's Revenge' by Ms. Nishita A. S., a B.Sc. (Hons) Filmmaking student at SoFMCA, has earned an Honourable Mention at the international Kinda Spooky Festival 2026 in Tennessee, USA. This accolade adds to the film's impressive international run, following the Best Cinematography award at TIFA 2025 and an official screening at the Indo-German Film Week in Berlin earlier this year.



Nishita's film gets Honourable Mention at Kinda Spooky Festival 2026

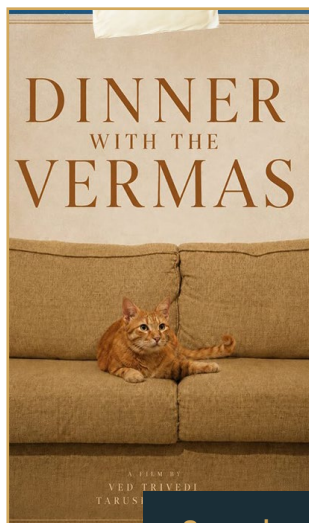
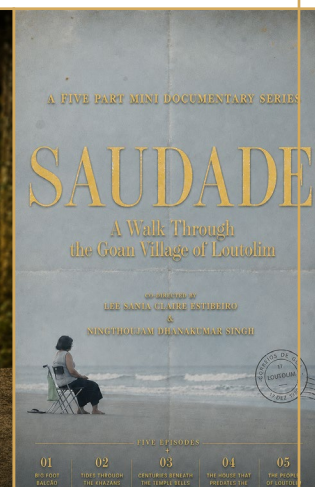
Student Achievements



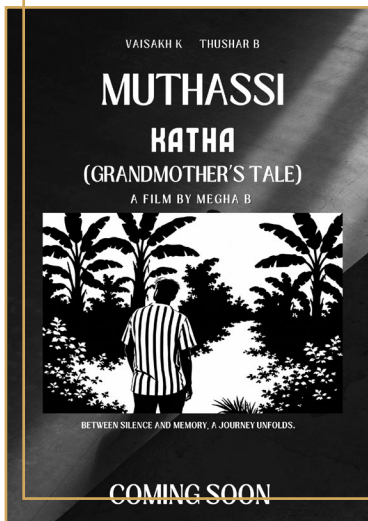
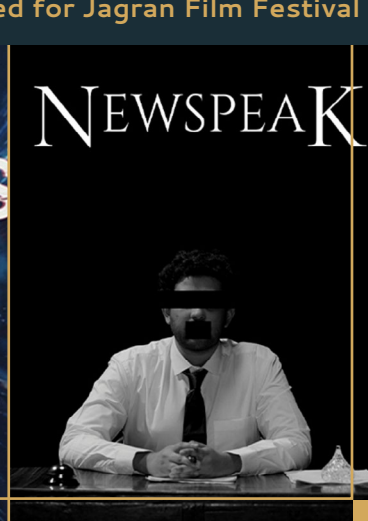
RVU doctoral scholar recognised by President of India

RV University doctoral scholar Mr. Akshay J. Mashelkar received the Grassroots Innovator Recognition 2026 from the President of India, Ms. Droupadi Murmu, on 31 July 2026 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi. Mr. Akshay's doctoral research explores 'Games with purpose', focusing on educational kits that strengthen mathematical ability and logical reasoning, supported by innovations in materials and electronics.

Eight documentaries, short films and short animation created by students of RV University's SoFMCA have been selected for World Premiere and Festival Premiere of Jagran Film Festival (JFF) 2026. JFF, India's largest traveling International Film Festival, starts in Delhi on 20 August 2026 and ends in Mumbai on 1 November 2026, covering 14 cities.



8 works of SoFMCA selected for Jagran Film Festival





Ms. Shreya Srinivas, B.Des. student at RVU, was adjudged 'India's Best Design Student 2026' by the India's Best Design Awards (IBDA) Forum for her academic UX design projects. She has received this recognition in the Student Category for her academic UX design projects developed during her B.Des. at RVU.

Shreya Srinivas adjudged 'India's Best Design Student 2026'

Ms. Aasra Sudhir, a first-semester student from the School of Design & Innovation, clinched the Bronze Medal in the 1,500m Freestyle at the 52nd Junior National Aquatics Championships 2026, held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.



Aasra gets Bronze in National Aquatics Championships



Govardhan gets Best Paper Presentation Award

Mr. Govardhan G., a second-year student of B.Sc. Medical Laboratory Technology at School of Allied and Healthcare Professions, has received the Best Paper Presentation Award in the Proffered Category at the 4th National Conference & Workshop – PROMARC AHSCON 2026. Govardhan's paper, titled 'Automation & AI in Medical Laboratories,' examined the emerging role of artificial intelligence and automation in improving efficiency, accuracy, and innovation in medical laboratory practices. The conference was held on 3 August 2026 at R. R. Institute of Medical Sciences, Bengaluru, and was organised by the Department of Medical Laboratory Technology in association with the Karnataka Allied & Healthcare Professionals Association.

Ms. Sandhyashree Karanth, a fourth-year B.A. LL.B. student, secured the Criminal Justice Student Fellowship (2026–27) at the Square Circle Clinic, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad. This paid fellowship is exceptionally competitive, with only three positions offered nationwide.

Ms. Sandhyashree secures Criminal Justice Student Fellowship



Faculty and Staff Achievements



8 RVU faculty, staff members honoured with RSST Excellence Awards

Eight faculty and staff members from RV University were honoured with the RSST Excellence Awards at a felicitation on 16 July 2026. The awardees are Ms. Akhila Narayanswamy, Executive Assistant to VC; Dr. Baishali Garai, Programme Director – Basic Sciences Programme, SoCSE; Prof. T. Hongray, Dean, Student Affairs; Prof. Lakshmi Arya Thathachar, Professor, School of Law; Dr. K. S. Shushrutha, Associate Professor, SoCSE, RVUM; Mr. Somnath K., Assistant Registrar, HR; Dr. Sudhakar K. N., Programme Director – B. Tech.; and Dr. Vijayalakshmi S., Assistant Professor, SoEB.

Prof. Dwarika Prasad Uniyal, Pro Vice Chancellor & Director – Mysuru Campus, was honoured with the 'Premchand Award' by St. Philomena's College, Mysuru, on 31 July 2026 for his distinguished contribution to Hindi literary work.



Prof. Dwarika gets Premchand Award for contribution to Hindi literary work

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GenAI For Bharat, by Bharat



Asst. Prof. Narendra becomes Visiting Research Scientist for BharatGen

Mr. K. C. Narendra, Associate Professor at SoCSE, was on-site at IIT Bombay as a Visiting Research Scientist for BharatGen. BharatGen is India's first of its kind Indigenously developed government funded AI-based Multimodal LLM for Indian Languages. Mr. Narendra is fine-tuning ASR systems for Hindi – building more robust, efficient speech recognition for one of India's most widely spoken languages.

A design titled 'IoT-Based Home Automation Device' by Assistant Professor Dr. V. Balaji of SoCSE and his team (four members from other universities) has been registered by the Patent Office, Government of India, under the Designs Act, 2000. The IoT-Based Home Automation Device is designed to provide an intelligent and user-friendly home automation solution, enabling users to monitor and control household appliances remotely through IoT technology.



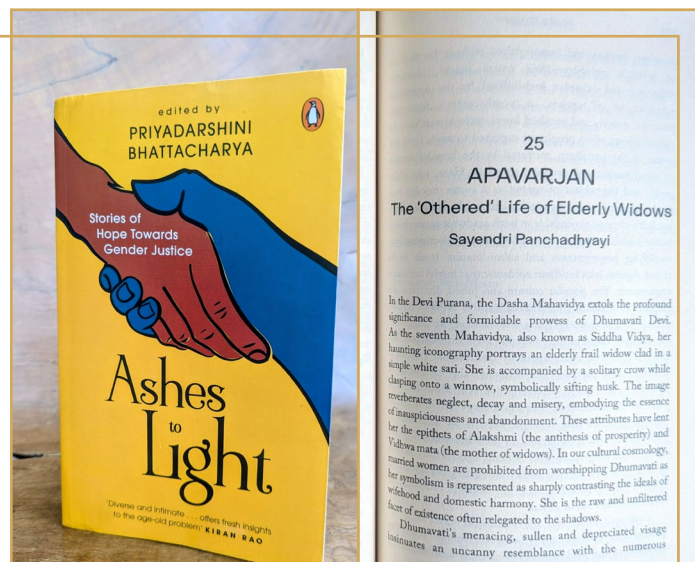
Dr. Balaji's design gets patent by Govt of India



Dr. Priya Nandihal, Associate Professor, SoCSE, has published her research paper titled 'A Systematic Survey on ECG-Based Biometric Authentication Using Deep Learning and Traditional Machine Learning Algorithms' in the Journal of Integrated Science and Technology, a Scopus-indexed Q1 Journal. The study provides a comprehensive survey of ECG-based biometric authentication systems, exploring both Deep Learning and Traditional Machine Learning approaches for secure and reliable identity verification.

Dr. Priya publishes research paper in Journal of Integrated Science and Technology

Dr. Sayendri Panchadhyayi, Assistant Professor, SoLAS, has published her work titled 'Apavarjan: The 'Othered' Life of Elderly Widows' in the anthology titled Ashes to Light: Stories of Hope towards Gender Justice published by Penguin Random House India. Dr. Sayendri was also selected for the Prof. K. Mahadevan Award for Best Publication – 2026 by the Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health. Her solo-authored journal article, 'Ayahs at the Deathbed – Re-visioning Eldercare: Bereavement Support and Anchorage for In-Home Dying Older Adults in Urban India,' published in Mortality by Taylor & Francis, was selected from 113 applications.



Dr. Sayendri publishes work in Penguin anthology, gets award for best publication



A research paper written by Dr. Milda David, Assistant Professor (Environmental Sciences), SoLAS, has been published in Landscape Ecology (Springer Nature), a Scopus-indexed Q1 journal. The paper is titled 'Routes to survival: identification and prioritization of critical corridors for large mammal conservation in southern India'. The study identifies and prioritises critical wildlife corridors for large mammals, including tiger, leopard, dhole, Asian elephant and gaur across the Western and Eastern Ghats part of Tamil Nadu.

Dr. Milda's paper published in Scopus-indexed Q1 journal

Dr. Krishna Palit, a faculty member with SoLAS, has published two research papers in journals indexed in Scopus and Web of Science (SCIE). The papers are titled 'Characterisation of an Antibacterial Compound from the Mangrove Bacterium *Bacillus velezensis* ES8024 and the Impacts of Anthropogenic and Climatic Factors on Its Production' and 'Microbial bioindicators for multidimensional assessment of environmental alterations and ecosystem functioning'.



Dr. Krishna's research papers published in SCIE-indexed journals



An article written by Prof. Arindam Mitra, Dean, SoAHP, has been published in the newsletter of the International Society of Antimicrobial Chemotherapy/ The Alliance for the Prudent Use of Antibiotics (ISAC/APUA). Dr. Arindam also co-authored a newly published commentary in Access Microbiology (a journal of the Microbiology Society): 'From Content Delivery to Student Development: A Systems Approach to Value-Driven Microbiology Education'. He has also co-authored a newly published commentary in Access Microbiology (a journal of the Microbiology Society): 'From Content Delivery to Student Development: A Systems Approach to Value-Driven Microbiology Education.'

Prof. Arindam's articles published in ISAC/APUA

Four films from RVU – 'Healing Hands: Tales of an Anagami Healer', 'Burden of a Genius', 'Newspeak' and 'The Loop of Silence' – have grabbed laurels at YathaKatha International Film & Literature Festival 2026 held in Mumbai.

'Healing Hands: Tales of an Anagami Healer', directed by Chandhan S. Gowda of the Media and Communication Department, secured the Best Film on Earth award. Prof. Piyush Roy, Dean, SoFMCA, got the Best Short Documentary (Indian Cinema) award for his 'Burden of a Genius'. Prof. V. Krishnappa, Professor, SoLAS, is the writer-actor for the film. SoLAS student Rutvi Raj K. got the 'Best Film on Social Issue' award for his film titled 'Newspeak' while 'The Loop of Silence' film of SoFMCA PG student Suraj Mahesh got the award for Best Horror Film.



4 films from RVU get awards at YathaKatha film festival



Prof. Piyush, Mr. Rahul contribute to a Norway university

Prof. Piyush Roy, Dean, and Mr. Rahul Dev Raman A. (Programme Director, Filmmaking), from SoFMCA contributed as trainers at the ESIND Training School III, hosted by UiT The Arctic University of Norway, Tromsø. Focusing on 'Comparative Research on European Representations of India: Museums, Collections, and the Production of Institutional Knowledge,' the team engaged with scholars across Europe to explore documentary cinema as a vital research tool. Prof. Piyush also moderated a panel discussion titled 'Film Schools in a changing industry' during Bengaluru International Short Film Festival (BISFF) on 14 August 2026.

Mr. Dinesh Kumar Chandrasekaran, Associate Professor, SDI, presented his paper at World Biodiversity Forum 2026, held in Davos, Switzerland, from 14 to 19 June 2026. Prof. Dinesh co-authored his paper 'AI-Enabled Transdisciplinary Observability Framework for Biodiversity and Human Environment Systems' with Arjun Shrivatsan.



Prof. Dinesh submits paper at World Biodiversity Forum



Dr. Alisha Pradhan, Assistant Professor at SoL, has co-authored a new research paper titled 'International Law beyond Dualist Constraints: A Study of Gender Justice Jurisprudence in India'. Published in the Scopus-indexed Australian Journal of Asian Law (Vol. 28, No. 1, 2026). The study examines how Indian judicial engagement navigates the country's formally dualist constitutional structure to advance gender justice jurisprudence through international legal principles.

Dr. Alisha's paper published in Scopus-indexed Australian Journal of Asian Law

RV University has been recognised among the top 5 at the 16th Indian Management Conclave (IMC) 2026, held at IIM Lucknow, Noida campus, for its initiative 'From AI as a Tool to AI as a Learning Partner'. Presented by Dr. Veena A., Associate Professor, SoEB, and Dr. Madhvi Sethi, Dean, SoEB, the initiative earned recognition from a distinguished jury led by Dr. Rishikesh T. Krishnan and Dr. Varun Nagaraj.



Dr. Veena's initiative comes top 5 at IMC



VC Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani met Tulasi Maddineni IAS, Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Karnataka, for discussions concerning higher education and institutional matters. The VC was also the Guest of Honour at the Mysore Lancers Memorial Lecture, which honoured the bravery, valour and sacrifice of elite Indian soldiers during World War I, on 23 September 2026.

VC Ram becomes Guest of Honour at Mysore Lancers Memorial Lecture



Events and Conferences



SDI launched Whitespace 4.0, a student-curated, commissioned and designed magazine and a key outcome of the Communication Design course in Publication Design on 6 July 2026. The magazine was launched by Revathi Kant, Executive Vice President & Chief Design Officer, Titan Company Limited; Sonia Manchanda, Board Member, World Design Organisation and Founder of Spread Design and Innovation and faculty leads Logesh Prasaath R. V. and Ginu George.

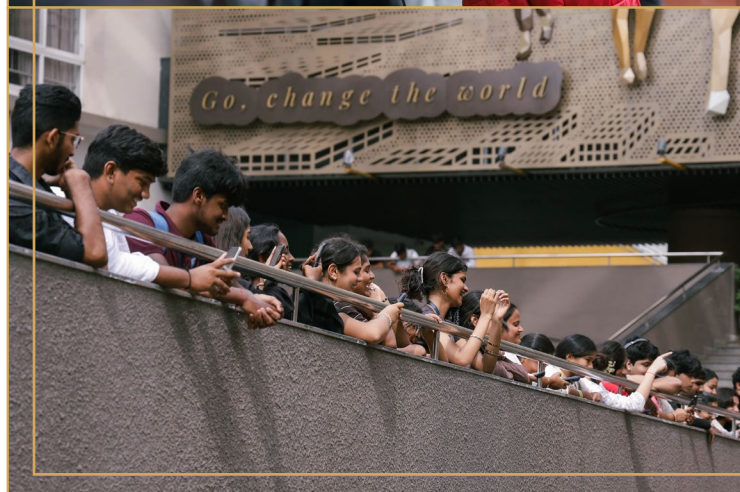
SDI launches Whitespace 4.0 magazine

The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE) launched the IET (Institution of Engineering and Technology) Student Chapter in collaboration with the IET Bangalore Local Network on 14 August 2026. As many as 60 B.Tech. 2nd-year students and two faculty members from SoCSE became members of the IET Student Chapter, marking an important step towards promoting technical excellence, professional engagement, leadership, and industry-academia interaction. The inauguration also witnessed the induction of six students as the founding office-bearers of the chapter for the year.



SoCSE IET Student Chapter launched





RVU organises awareness events on anti-ragging

A series of events was held at RV University on 14 August 2026 to raise awareness on anti-ragging. Flash mob, Artora's painting/drawing contest, Sententia Society's writing letters of comfort to ragging victims, Open Mike's platform for icebreaking speech, Atleta's Cup Stacking Relay, Blindfold Trust Walk and Target Throw Challenge contests and a silent rally on anti-ragging awareness were among the events held.



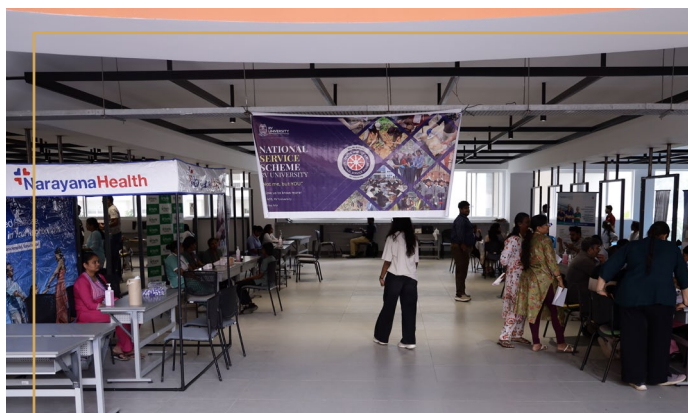
RVU celebrates India's 80th Independence Day

The ex-servicemen currently serving at RV University Air Commodore T. M. Srinath, Havildar Cariappa, Group Captain (Retd) V. Krishnappa and Subedar-Honorary Subedar Major Motaiah K. A. were honoured during the 80th Independence Day celebrations. The gathering was addressed by Registrar Prof. Sahana D. Gowda and Vice Chancellor Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, followed by a keynote address from the Chief Guest, Dr. Hemantha Raju S. L., Inspector General (Medical), Border Security Force. In Mysuru, Pro Vice Chancellor & Director Prof. (Dr.) Dwarika Prasad Uniyal led the celebrations.



RV University hosted Col. Neeraj Naithani, Group Commander, NCC Group Headquarters, Karnataka and Goa Directorate, on 24 August 2026 as part of the Annual Administrative Inspection of 6 KAR BN NCC. Among 52 institutions under 6 Karnataka Battalion, RV University was selected for this year's inspection, marking a significant moment for our NCC Platoon 1.

Group Commander Col. Neeraj Naithani visits RVU



2,500 staff, students attend health checkup, blood donation camp



Around 2,500 staff and students attended a health checkup and blood donation camp organised by the NSS unit of RVU on 31 August 2026. A total of 272 units of blood were collected through the blood donation drive conducted in collaboration with the Lions Club of Bangalore Modinagar, Lions Blood Bank, Sparsh Hospital RR Nagar, Manipal Hospital Yeshwantpur, Netradhama Eye Hospital, and Narayana Health. RVU Mysuru campus also hosted a blood donation camp with 18 staff members donating blood.



RVU's Library by Brigade holds book exhibition, IPR session

Marking National Librarians' Day and the 134th birth anniversary of Dr. S. R. Ranganathan (the Father of Library Science in India), the RVU's Library by Brigade, hosted an insightful session on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) on 3 September 2026. Guest speaker Mr. Vineeth Kumar S. R., Project Engineer at KSCST, engaged the campus community with practical insights into navigating IPR and innovation. They also hosted a two-day book exhibition on 3 and 4 September 2026. With over 10,000 titles from 15 leading vendors, students, faculty and staff explored the aisles and stocked up their shelves.

RVU Mysuru celebrates Teachers' Day

The School of Psychology and Behavioural Science and the School of Management at RVU Mysuru celebrated Teachers' Day on 4 September 2026 with more than 260 staff and students participating in it. Meanwhile, Vice Chancellor Ram Kumar Kakani was the Chief Guest at the Teachers' Day celebration of e-Vidyaloka, which conducts online classes for students in rural villages.





Freshers' Day '26 – where new faces met new memories

RV University hosted Navataare '26 – Freshers' Day & Ethnic Day 2026 – on 11 September 2026 with musical performances, live band, beatboxing and rap, dance performances, fashion walk and the reveal of the Ganesha festival banner.





RVU hosts Ganeshotsava with pomp and gaiety

RVU Bengaluru campus came alive on 18 September 2026 with the celebration of Ganeshotsava. From the traditional Ganesha Puja and lively student dance performances to the distribution of Maha Prasada, grand Maha Mangalarathi, and the spirited evening procession, here is a glimpse into how the RVU community celebrated the arrival of Lord Ganesha. RVU's Mysuru campus celebrated Ganeshotsava one day after on 19 September with rituals and cultural performances.



Partnerships and Collaborations



SoEB signed an MoU with Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement (GRAAM), Mysuru on 30 July 2026 for advancing research, innovation, policy engagement, and capacity building for inclusive and sustainable development. Prof. (Dr.) Ram Kumar Kakani, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Sahana Deve Gowda, Registrar, Dr. Madhvi Sethi, Dean, SoEB, and Dr. Basavaraju R Shreshta, Executive Director, GRAAM, were among those present during the signing of the MoU. On 24 September 2026, the Vice Chancellor led a delegation to a workshop with the GRAAM team in Mysuru to establish and promote the Centre for AI, Technology, Sustainability, and Policy Research.

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