MAHE Silver Jubilee Launch

The Silver Jubilee celebrations of Manipal Academy of Higher Education was off to a good start on January 19, 2018 at the Chaitya Hall of Fortune Inn Valley View in Manipal. It was a historic moment for the University with all the previous Vice Chancellors and the present one sharing the stage. The presence of Infosys founder, Mr. NR Narayana Murthy as the chief guest was the cherry on the cake. Also present was Manipal Education and Medical Group, Bengaluru chairman, Dr. Ranjan Pai. A short, impressive programme gave the celebrations a perfect start. The speakers recalled how Dr TMA Pai toiled to start this private university, known globally and considered to be the best in the country. All of them also recognized the tremendous efforts put in by the Chancellor, Dr Ramdas M Pai, in bringing it to where it now is. The release of the silver jubilee logo was also unique, Mr Murthy pressed a button and it showed up on the huge LED screen on the stage. Dr M.S. Vallathun, the first vice chancellor shared some of his experiences from the early days of the University. Dr B.M Hegde took over the reins of VC from Dr Vallathan, then came Dr H.S. Ballal. He was succeeded by Dr Raj Warrier and Dr Ram Narayan, Dr H Vinod Bhat is the present incumbent. Pro Chancellor, Dr H.S. Ballal while welcoming the gathering said his association with the institution has been for more than four decades. "As an institution of higher education we have been in existence for more than six decades and as a university it is 25 years now," he said. All the Six Vice Chancellors of MAHE were felicitated on the occasion. There was interaction with Mr Narayana Murthy at the end of the programme.

MAHE and Institutions do better in NIRF 2018

Manipal Academy of Higher Education Manipal has vaulted seven places in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) rankings for Universities in India, announced by the Union HRD Ministry. From 18, MAHE moved to the 11th rank. In the overall ranking too, MAHE has jumped 12 places, from 30 to 18. Kasturba Medical College, Manipal was ranked fourth in India and Kasturba Medical College, Mangaluru was 16th. Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences retained its rank of being the seventh best in the country. Faculty of Architecture was ranked 10th. FOA is the only private college to figure among the first ten. Manipal Institute of Technology ranked 43rd the last time, also saw an improvement. The engineering institute was ranked 39th.
KMC, Manipal and MCOPS continue to do well in QS Rankings by Subject

Kasturba Medical College, Manipal moved up 50 places in the QS World University Ranking by Subject—2018. And while KMC has done well for itself, Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences (MCOPS) has held on to its previous year’s rank in the 251-300 range. That too is creditable.

The QS World University Rankings by Subject, ranks the world’s top universities in individual subject areas, covering 48 subjects. In the 2018 edition, 1,100 universities featured. These annual Rankings compare academic reputation, employer reputation, research citations and impact. Each of the subject rankings is compiled using four sources.

International Women's Day celebrations

The women of Manipal Academy of Higher Education, faculty and students, celebrated International Women’s Day with a variety of programmes at the Dr TMA Pai Auditorium Talks by entrepreneurs, panel discussion on the theme for the day, “Empowering Women to Positively Impact The World” and a workshop on motivation using NLP and Fun: Fem Power, marked the celebrations.

The day concluded with an entertaining cultural programme organized by MAHE’s Cultural Coordination Committee. The event was also part of the Silver Jubilee celebrations of MAHE and Platinum Jubilee celebrations of Academy of General Education. Dr H.S. Ballal inaugurated the website for women - www.woman.manipal.edu

Manipal Silver Marathon with a message on drug abuse

Manipal Silver Marathon aimed to create awareness on “Drug free is the way to be” was organized on February 11, 2018 at Manipal. The event was jointly organized by Manipal Runners Club and Life is Calling under the aegis of MAHE assisted by Udupi District Athletic Association (UDAA) and Volunteers Services Organization (VSO). Nearly 7000 enthusiastic runners, young and old and from all walks of life took part to make Manipal Marathon an unforgettable event. Carnival De Manipal, organized by VSO to add entertainment to the event had fun games and stalls to educate people about the consequences of drug abuse.

'Tarang' with a difference

Volunteer Services Organization (VSO), MAHE organized the 6th edition of Tarang, a kite festival on February 25, 2018 at End Point in Manipal to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of Manipal Academy of Higher Education. This year Tarang was different because the kites made by VSO members were flown by the underprivileged children of slums and special homes. The festival had something for all and a carnival like atmosphere prevailed at the ground. Games, music, food stalls, Zumba made for a memorable afternoon. The funds raised from the event will be utilized for Rural Healthcare Projects of VSO.
Manipal Model WHO debates 'Climate Change And Health'

The Manipal Model WHO 2018, jointly organized by the Manipal-FAIMER Institute (M-FILIPE) and Dr TMA Pai Chair in Inter Professional Education was held at Dr TMA Pai Hall here on February 13, 2018. Students from the constituent units of MAHE participated in this inter professional debate focusing on “Climate Change and Health”. The students represented member nations of SAARC countries; presented position paper on the theme subject, deliberated and consensus recommendations were evolved based on an inter professional strategy to combat the impact of climate change on health issues. This debate aimed to provide participants with the knowledge necessary to engage in evidence-based, health policy discourse; and plan interventions accordingly.

Young Researchers benefit from Manipal Research Colloquium

The Directorate of Research, Manipal Academy of Higher Education and Office of Deputy Registrar Academics, MAHE organized the 5th Manipal Research Colloquium (MRC), a three-day event from April 3 to 5, 2018 in the Interact Lecture Halls, Kasturba Medical College, MAHE. The event was sponsored by Philips. The aim of the colloquium was to provide a common platform for young researchers from various streams i.e health sciences (HS), engineering and technical sciences (TS), basic sciences (BS) and management, humanities and social sciences (MS) to come together, showcase their research and interact with researchers from different disciplines and develop new ideas and innovations. A total of 102 oral papers (27 from HS; 35 from BS; 08 from MS; and 32 from TS) were presented on first day of event.

The office of the Deputy Registrar, Academics, organized the PhD poster competition for the final year students on day 2. There were 70 posters from HS and 71 from TS. MAHESRF; a student body under the aegis of Directorate of Research (DoR), which steers the Student Research Poster Competition (RPC) among the UG and PG students, belonging to various constituent institutions of Manipal University on day 3 managed to get 263 papers for the competition. 161 of these were from the HS+BS, 102 from TS+MS.

UTSAV 2018 bigger and better

UTSAV 2018, the annual intercollegiate cultural and literary festival of MAHE was organized from April 2 to 6, 2018. While there was more participation by students this year, Utsav 2018 was smarter and more digital than the earlier ones. Utsav 2018, marking the silver jubilee of MAHE was made special by participation of Dubai, Sikkim and Bangalore campuses. 1250 participants, 43 events, 6 days, nearly 2 lakh rupees as prize money, 50 thousand and above reach on Facebook, 120 judges, 100 core volunteers, 120 core volunteers, 31 faculty coordinators, 5 campuses, 700 stories on Instagram, thousands of views on Facebook live reflects the story of Utsav 2018. MCOOS, Manipal bagged the honours in MAHE’s Silver Utsav 2018.
Informative workshops at DIAGNOCON

Kasturba Medical College, Manipal and NABI, Accredited Kasturba Hospital Laboratory Services, Manipal organized DIAGNOCON 2018, pre-conference workshops and 2-day conference, from February 23 to 25, 2018 to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of Manipal Academy of Higher Education. 150 people participated in the six workshops and over 300 delegates were present for the conference. The workshops were on diverse themes which ranged from: Automated techniques in Rapid Diagnosis of Infectious Diseases, Diagnostic virology, Analytical toxicology, Screening methodology for common inborn errors of metabolism, Haemoglobin Electrophoresis and Exome sequencing for diagnosis of rare disorders. Over 30 renowned speakers added the academic sparkle to the events. There were three parallel conference sessions on Microbiology and Virology, Biochemistry and Forensic toxicology, Pathology and Immunohematology.

Unique Global Medical Education Conclave

A first of its kind, Global Medical Education Conclave was organized by Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, on April 6, 2018. The interactive sessions with pioneers of medical education across the globe for the present and future teachers of Health Sciences provided an academic feast. The audience comprised of former Vice Chancellors of MAHE, Deans of various institutions under MAHE including overseas campuses from Antigua, Malaysia, Nepal & Sikkim, Dean, Associate Deans, faculty and residents across all departments form KMC Manipal & Mangalore actively participated in the deliberations. Nearly 180 delegates attended the Conclave. The entire event was backed by the knowledge partner Elsevier. The key sessions included, Implementing choice based credit system in UG medical education — The way forward, by Dr Ved Prakash Mishra, and Digital Vaccination of Medical Education and Medical Practices in India by Dr Ajay Kumar, which were widely appreciated. In addition, the other sessions included Role of Swayam and NPTEL by Dr Mangal Sunder, Coordinator and Head, NPTEL; Global practices in implementation of Education Technology to achieve improved medical education outcomes by Mr. Alasdair Smithies, Manager, Technology Enhanced Learning, School of Medicine at Leeds; Hootagogy for the Millennial medical student by Dr K Ramnarayan, Chairman - MUJ and Vice President - Faculty Development, MAHE; Value of Humanities in Medical Education by Dr Satendra Singh, Associate Professor, Physiology, UCMS and Doctor and Law by Dr Ajay Kumar.

Panel Discussion on the role of Regional and Nodal MCI centers in introducing innovative pedagogies including eminent medical education pioneers from various institutions was very engaging and thought provoking.
**Kasturba Medical College, Mangaluru**

**CME on Neonatology**

The Department of Paediatrics, Kasturba Medical College, Mangaluru conducted CME in Neonatology with the theme “Trends in Neonatology” at The Ocean Pearl, Mangaluru on 14-01-2018. The CME was attended by 150 delegates and was appreciated by all.

**Combined Postgraduate CME**

Tenth edition of combined Mangalore – Manipal postgraduate CME was held at Sanjeevani hall of KMC Attavar on January 14, 2018. Meeting was attended by about 150 Postgraduates from different colleges and 15 delegates were present.

**GASTRO UPDATE 2018**

A CME on Gastroenterology was held on 18.02.2018 at Medical Education Seminar Hall, KMC Mangaluru. Around 140 delegates from in and around Mangaluru participated in this CME.

**Workshop on Pulmonary Medicine**

Department of Physiotherapy KMC Mangaluru, in association with Department of Pulmonary Medicine conducted a workshop on Pulmonary Rehabilitation on February 21 and 22, 2018.

The major objective of the programme was to impart evidence based knowledge of the rationale and theoretical frameworks upon which rehabilitation protocols are designed. The programme was conducted over 13 sessions comprising of lectures on theoretical concepts and hands on practical sessions. A total of 85 delegates from various Universities participated.

**Dept of OBG conducts exam-oriented programme**

The Department of OBG conducted the third edition of APGAR from February 23 to 25, 2018, an exam-oriented PG training programme. It was a 3 three-day programme held at Medical Education Unit in KMC Mangaluru with 128 delegates - from all over Karnataka, neighbouring states and North India, including 13 faculty from all over India. The academic extravaganza had 11 case discussions, 9 didactic lectures, Workshop on NST and Demonstrations of various malpositions, malpresentations and emergency drills.
Dept of Microbiology conducts conference on TB

The Department of Microbiology conducted one-day national conference “Tuberculosis: Strategize, Detect and Eliminate-RNTCP and Beyond” on 7th April 2018. The conference highlighted on the 2017 RNTCP guidelines regarding the diagnosis, antimycobacterial resistance to drugs, how to set up a mycobacterial laboratory at tertiary care level and panel discussion on the problems of HIV and Tuberculosis combined infection. The resource persons were experienced persons from the RNTCP programme. The conference was attended by 100 participants from Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala belonging to various medical college, engineering college and also to pharmacy colleges.

Seminar on Aphasia

Dept. of Audiology & Speech Language Pathology, KMC, Mangaluru organized the seminar on “Recent trends in the assessment and management of Aphasia” on 10th February, 2018.

CME on Paediatric Otorhinolaryngology

To commemorate silver jubilees of MAHE, department of otorhinolaryngology, head and neck conducted a CME on paediatric otorhinolaryngology on April 3, 2018.

Commemorative Lecture

Prof. M.P Pai Birth Centennial “Commemorative lecture” & CME was organized on April 10, 2018. Prof. C. R Ballal who gave “Commemorative CME lecture.

Dept of Anatomy conducts BODYCON

Department of Anatomy conducted one-day CME BODYCON to commemorate the silver jubilee celebration of Manipal Academy of Higher Education on April 21, 2018 at Marena, Kapriguda, Mangaluru. It was about body contouring or shaping. This CME focused on non-invasive means, strength training and nutrition, for muscle building.
CDE on 'Significance in Health Research'

A CDE programme titled “Understanding the term "Significance" in health research” was organized by the Department of Public Health Dentistry at MCODS, Manipal on February 1, 2018. It was conducted as ‘Auxiliary Education Service’ aimed at enhancing participants knowledge and skills in conducting research by providing an understanding of statistical significance versus clinical significance, "Diagnostic test accuracy studies" (DATS) and Receiver operator Characteristics Curve (ROC). The sessions and group activity conducted on these concepts were very helpful, interesting and informative. The programme was attended by a total of forty seven participants including faculty and post graduates of the university.

Dept of Periodontology organizes CDE

Continuing Dental Education programme was organized by the Department of Periodontology, MCODS, Manipal on February 13, 2018. The sessions were extremely interactive with active involvement of 60 participants.

Oral Prophylaxis programme

Oral prophylaxis for the maintenance of oral health forms the basis of any periodontal therapy. To emphasize the same, 'Individually trained oral prophylaxis (I-TOP)’ continuing educational programme with a hands-on session was organized by the Department of Periodontology, MCODS, Manipal in collaboration with Curaden India Private Limited on February 19, 2018.

CDE titled 'Erudite Practitioner' held

Department of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics, MCODS, Manipal organized a Continuing Dental Education Programme titled “Erudite Practitioner” on February 26, 2018. 160 participants were present for the CDE.

Oral health awareness programme for Dist. Court employees

An “Oral Health Awareness and Screening Programme” for the employees of judicial department, district court, was conducted on March 19, 2018 at the district legal services authority complex, Udupi. The intent of the event, was in accordance with the theme of the World Oral Health Day celebrated annually on March 20 i.e., “Think Mouth, Think Health”, which focused on the maintenance of healthy mouth as a fundamental entity for overall health and better quality of life. A total of 70 employees participated in the event.
'Dentofest’ does general public good

Patient care committee of MCODS, Mangaluru organized a dental exhibition “Dentofest” for 5 days from January 24 to 28, 2018. Table clinic and poster competitions were arranged for students of MCODS, Mangaluru. Around 100 students for 24 Table clinics and around 36 students for 18 posters were participated. From 25 to 28th January, 2018, Dental Exhibition “Dentofest” opened for public. 1319 general public visited and attended health education talks organized by the committee. Oral cavity screening was done for all the visitors and camp card were distributed to all. On March 27th a painting competition was organized for the general public. Theme was “Swach Bharath”. 113 participants from all over city from age group 03 to 25 years participated.

Symposium on Management of Dental Caries

Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics, Manipal College of Dental Sciences, Mangaluru conducted a two-day International symposium on “Modern Management of Dental Caries” on April 3 and 4, 2018. The main aim of the symposium was to promote the prevention of caries. This event aimed at updating the knowledge and skills of faculty and postgraduate students in detecting and managing dental caries with a holistic and modern approach. This symposium also aimed at guiding the participants to enhance their understanding in developing personalized caries preventive strategies and caries control protocol for patients.

Conference on Advances in Pharmacy Practice

Department of Pharmacy Practice, MCOPS, Manipal organized the two-days International Conference on Clinical Pharmacy (CPCON-2018) on January 21 and 22, 2018 in Dr. TMA Pai Halls, KMC, Manipal. This conference was an eye-opening session for the clinical pharmacists to excel in recent advances in pharmacy practice services with the theme “New Era of Pharmacy Practice: Beyond Traditional Patient Care”. About 700 delegates from the United Arab Emirates, Australia and from across the country took part in the conference. There were 230 poster presentations and few selected oral presentations.
MoU with Schrodinger, LLC New York for CoE in molecular simulation

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal and Schrödinger, LLC, New York, USA for setting up a Center of Excellence in Molecular Simulation in Manipal. The Vice Chancellor of MAHE, Dr H Vinod Bhat and Mr Raghu Rangaswamy, Vice President, Schrödinger, jointly signed the MoU on March 26, 2018 in Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences. Subsequently, the newly commenced ‘Manipal-Schrödinger Centre for Molecular Simulations’ was inaugurated. This is for the first time, the Schrödinger, LLC is signing such an MoU with an University in India. As per the understanding, Schrodinger will provide guidance and training to the scientists of MAHE in MAHE’s efforts towards becoming a pioneer in the field of molecular simulations. MAHE has subscribed Schrodinger package in total, a first of its kind in India.

Manipal College of Nursing

International Conference on ‘Global Challenges in Health Care’ was organized by Manipal College of Nursing Manipal, a constituent Unit of Manipal Academy of Higher Education on February 16 and 17, 2018 at the Dr. T.M.A. Pai Auditorium, as a part of Silver Jubilee celebration of MAHE.

Over 200 delegates from National and International Academia and clinical fraternity participated in the conference. Two textbooks in Pediatric, Obstetrics and Gynecological Nursing were released during the conference. Sessions on the topics Unequal access, poor quality care and rising cost – A risen concern in India, Technology in health care – a forum for change through evidence-based practice, Challenges in global health care delivery and creative solution – Private sector, digitalization in health care–a challenge for common public, the roadmap to Nurse Practitioner, Challenges in global health care delivery and creative solution in public sector, Dementia– the Global challenge, Global Challenges in bridging the gap between Academia and Clinical practice, Global Challenges in mother and child health a concept of the past, present, and future were addressed.

School of Allied Health Sciences

National Workshop on clinical laboratory research

The Department of Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT), School of Allied Health Sciences (SAHS), in association with Kasturba Medical College, Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Department of Atomic and Molecular Physics, MIT, Manipal Academy of Higher Education hosted the first national workshop on clinical laboratory research a multidisciplinary approach on 26th March 2018 at the Interact Lecture Hall 4C, Manipal. The one day deliberations included five parallel workshops and plenary sessions that embraced with integrated approach of clinical research with science and technology, conducted by eminent scientists and academicians in both health sciences and engineering.
Conference on breast cancer

The department of Radiotherapy in association with the departments of medical and surgical oncology, KMC Manipal, organized a national multidisciplinary conference on breast cancer, "Breastcon 2018" on March 3 and 4, 2018. The conference was attended by around 150 delegates and faculty from across the country. The discussions dealt with various aspects of breast cancer management, ranging from screening to the treatment of metastatic disease.

CPE on Cognitive Behaviour Therapy

Department of Clinical Psychology, SOAHS, MAHE conducted a Continuing Professional Education programme on Cognitive Behaviour therapy on February 13 and 14, 2018. Mr. Joseph Mathew, an alumnus of the department was the trainer. The programme was attended by the trainees and faculty members of Department of Clinical Psychology, and Department of Psychiatry.

Workshop on 'Train The Trainer'

One day mini-workshop was organized by Department of Optometry and Manipal Center for Professional Development on inaugurating Train The Trainer workshop series under the aegis of Erasmus OCULUS (Optometry Curriculum for Life long learning through Erasmus and Manipal Academy of Higher Education on January 11, 2018.

As part of the OCULUS consortium members, the mini-workshop was followed by two-day Train The Trainer (TTT) workshop on January 12 and 13, 2018 for the faculties of Department of Optometry, Manipal on Evidence Based Practice. Dr. Catherine Suttle from City University, UK was the resource person for this event. A total of 16 faculties attended the workshop. The workshop was a part of activities planned under OCULUS project, funded by Erasmus Plus grant, co-funded by MAHE, Manipal. The workshop included basic concepts of EBP: 5A’s (Ask, Acquire, Appraise, Audit & Apply) of EBP, PICO technique to frame the question, searching the relevant literature, critical appraisal tools and aspects of the application of best evidence into practice. The workshop had hands-on practical sessions along with the content of knowledge of EBP.

School of Life Sciences

Students exhibit scientific skills on National Science Day

A science exhibition displaying models and experiments covering the various aspects of science was organized on February 28, 2018 as part of the National Science Day celebrations of the School of Life Sciences, MAHE, Manipal. The 50-odd exhibits included models of cells and organelles, lights and lasers, wound healing, phagocytosis, personalised medicine, bioidicators, aquaponics, heart beat monitors, wizard garden, Mars Orbital Mission, drug target with nanoparticles and also experiments in fields of biology and chemistry. The exhibits were presented by toppers students of 10th class from schools in Udipi district. The students had a week-long residential training at the institution. The exhibition was open for children, students, parents and teachers.
Prof Lalitha delivers Prof Bhat Memorial Oration

The 12th Annual Prof. JV Bhat Memorial Oration at Manipal was delivered by Prof. M. K. Lalitha (Advisor Lab Services at Malabar Institute of Medical Sciences, Former HOD of Microbiology, Christian Medical College, Vellore) on March 3, 2018. The JV Bhat Memorial Oration is an annual event organized by the School of Life Sciences (SLS), MAHE to honor and perpetuate the memory of Prof. JV Bhat; a renowned microbiologist of international repute.

Symposium on ‘Advances in Biomedical Optics and Applications’

The Manipal Student Chapter of Optical Society of America (OSA) conducted a One-day Symposium on “Advances in Biomedical Optics and Applications” on March 22, 2018 at the Dr. TMA Pai Hall, KMC, Manipal. There were total of seven esteemed researchers who spoke on biomedical optics and its prospects in the field of biotechnology. The symposium was preceded by a workshop at the School of Life Sciences, where the attendees were given a demonstration and hands-on training in laser induced fluorescence, polarimetry, and quantitative confocal imaging.

Guest lectures by eminent scientists

A Guest Lecture Series by Eminent Scientists was organized by School of Life Sciences, MAHE, Manipal as part of Silver Jubilee Celebrations. 17 lectures were delivered by renowned National and International Scientists from January to April 2018.

Melaka Manipal Medical College

MMMC shows 'one person can initiate positive change'

Melaka Manipal Medical College, MAHE, has progressively taken steps for betterment of society since its inception. In contemporary times, any effort that inspires individuals to act for positive change is very significant. Taking an initiative in this direction, Melaka Manipal Medical College (Manipal Campus), Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal teamed up with Bharat Soka Gakkai (Indian affiliate of Soka Gakkai International) and Earth Charter International, to co-host an exhibition on sustainability and positive change titled, ‘SEEDS OF HOPE: VISIONS OF SUSTAINABILITY, STEPS TOWARDS CHANGE’ from February 2 to 4, 2018. The exhibition highlighted the fact that, “a single individual can initiate positive change” with the key message, ‘It starts with one’. The first day of the exhibition was attended by more than 1700 school students from around 11 schools across Udupi District. The students who were trained by Melaka Manipal Medical College and Bharat Soka Gakkai across Manipal, Udupi, Agumbe, Kakola, Moodbidri, and Panemangalore presented the panels with a lot of enthusiasm. The exhibition featured an award winning documentary from Earth Charter titled “A quiet revolution” following which, school students were involved in interactive games to reinforce the learning experience. Trained facilitators engaged students in games such as ‘web of life’, ‘needs vs wants’, ‘empowered vs powerless’ etc. Informative videos from Forest Department and some interesting exhibits on fossils were also exhibited. Various eminent social activists from Udupi and Mangalore also graced the occasion.
Prasanna School of Public Health

PSPH meet on digital technology in health care

The Indian Social Responsibility Network (ISRN) and Prasanna School of Public Health (PSPH), Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) organized a high-level Policy Dialogue to discuss the future of Digital Health in India at New Delhi recently. It was a first of its kind event held to discuss and inform how technology can improve health outcomes. Speakers from India and abroad covered a wide range of topics all pertaining to the increasing use of digital technology in health care.

Manipal Institute of Technology

Workshop to create awareness on entrepreneurial opportunities

NIDHI-EIR- One day Awareness Workshop was jointly organized by Department of Sciences, MAHE, Manipal University Technology Business Incubator (MUTBI) & Manipal Institute of Technology on March 3, 2018 at Library Auditorium. MIT Manipal This programme was organized to create awareness about the entrepreneurial opportunities especially with the focus on MSc. / Science graduates and encourage them start their own venture. Over 150 students from several institutions of the region participated in this awareness workshop.

Workshop on application of GIS

A hands on workshop on application of Geographic Information System (GIS) in Public health, was held from 9th to 11th March 9 to 11, 2018, by the Department of Public health, Prasanna School of Public health, in association with Department of Civil Engineering, MIT, Manipal. Mr. Radhakrishnan T., Scientist from Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) and Dr. Jagadeesha Pai B, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, were facilitators for the workshop. The workshop was attended by 60 participants.

MIT bags Ramkrishna Bajaj Quality Award

MIT has won IMC Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality Performance Excellence Trophy-2017 under the Education Category. IMC Chamber of Commerce & Industry instituted the Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality programme as a catalyst for nation-building. Organisations consider it equivalent to some of the international awards such as Malcolm Baldrige, the European Award and the Prize is awarded based on a rigorous criteria and standards of excellence.
Welcomgroup Graduate School of Hotel Administration

WGSHA organizes Int’l Hospitality Symposium

Welcomgroup Graduate School of Hotel Administration (WGSHA), Manipal Academy of Higher Education had organized a day-long International Hospitality Symposium on February 24, 2018 at Fortune Inn Valley View, Manipal with the objective of bringing together the Industry and Academia to explore the changing paradigms and innovative practices within the broader hospitality and tourism realm. The symposium was themed on “Transformation trends in Hospitality and Tourism: Connecting stakeholders to deliver memorable experiences”. The Keynote speaker for the event Mr. Gyan Bhushan, Economic Adviser, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India & Chief Executive Officer, National Council for Hotel Management and Catering Technology shared his views on the issues and challenges faced by HR in the industry, including skill levels, manpower requirements and communication. Chef Alexander Lee Sanchez from California, former Executive Chef of The Table, Mumbai, spoke about his journey of becoming chef, and after an initial fear of trying new food. Mrs. Monica Suri, General Manager of Marriott Jaipur engaged the students by using various hash tags like #bake, #yolo, #film as a pretext to all key points of her presentation and emphasized on how an individual can use these terminologies in terms of hospitality & tourism. Mr. Ramesh Takulia, Learning and Development Consultant, Taj Hotels, Delhi highlighted the significance of Service Quality Model in the Hospitality Industry. Mr. Vinay Mishra, General Manager, JW Marriott, Pune gave an insight on the concept of “Service Recovery” and how it is carried out, with examples from his own experience. Dr. N. Krishnan, Ex-General Manager, ITC Kakatiya, Hyderabad highlighted the trends of “Millennials in Tourism” and how “Gen Y” are the future of this industry.

Chef Vikas inaugurates
Museum of Culinary Arts

Michelin-starred Chef Vikas Khanna inaugurated the ‘Museum of Culinary Arts’ at Welcomgroup Graduate School of Hotel Administration here on April 5, 2018. The museum, only one of its kind in the country, is a treasure trove of antique culinary collections of hundreds of years ago. The near-2000 valuables that have been garnered from all over the country have been aesthetically arranged in the museum which forms part of the new Department of Culinary Arts building.

School of Information Sciences

Philips starts HealthSuite Insights Lab at MAHE

Philips Innovation Campus, an important innovation hub of Royal Philips (NYSE: PHG, AEX: PHIA), a global leader in health technology, inaugurated their HealthSuite Insights Lab at Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) on April 3, 2018. The lab will support the advancing adoption of analytics and Artificial Intelligence (AI) in key healthcare domains. HealthSuite Insights gives data scientists, software developers, clinicians and healthcare providers access to advanced analytic capabilities to curate and analyze healthcare data and offers them tools and technologies to build, maintain, deploy and scale AI-based solutions. For the students, researchers and clinicians of MAHE, this would prove to be a great learning platform and help them dive deep dive into their research on healthcare.
SOIS organizes Learn-by-Doing Workshops

School of Information Sciences, MAHE – Manipal organized a series of workshops under Learn-by-Doing workshop – 2018 as part of the MAHE’s Silver Jubilee celebration.

1. The “One-day Hands-On”, workshop series was aimed at Undergraduate students to get them exposed to Industry Standard tools and projects and thereby learn the engineering concepts by doing. Workshops were conducted by faculty of SOIS and Industry partners from Manipal Dot Net.

2. A workshop on “Introduction to CMOS VLSI Design using CADENCE” was held on 24th February 24, 2018 which covered topics like CMOS Inverter Design, Simulation Layout Design etc. under Digital Design and design of simple Current Mirror, Differential Amplifier, Small Signal Modelling, AC analysis etc. under Analog Design using LTSpice and CADENCE Virtuoso tools.

3. A workshop on “IoT Application Development using Raspberry Pi and Amazon Cloud” was held on 24th February 24, 2018 that covered topics like Internet of Things and Cloud Computing, IoT System Design, Protocols of IoT, Introduction to Raspberry Pi using Python programming, Amazon Cloud and Mosquito Server.

4. A workshop on “Introduction to Data Visualization using Python” was held on 17th March 17, 2018 that covered topics like Data Visualization and Classification, Acquiring and Parsing Data, varieties of Visualization Techniques and Introduction to designing with D3 using Python, Javascript and D3.js.

5. A workshop on “Image Processing on Raspberry Pi using OpenCV” was held on 17th March 17, 2018 that covered topics like basics of Image Processing, Introduction to Raspberry Pi and OpenCV, Image and Video processing examples, Deep Learning application using Python and OpenCV.

6. A workshop on “Building Web-Apps using AngularJS” was held on 17th March 17, 2018 that covered topics like creating web application using HTML and AngularJS.

School of Communication

SOC hosts international conference on Health Communication

A two-day international Conference titled Health Communication: Bridging Gaps and Raising Awareness, in the focused areas of women, media and sports, hosted by School of Communication (SOC) saw a wonderful culmination of professionals coming together under one banner on March 16 and 17, this year. In this conference which was interdisciplinary by nature, professionals from Media, various disciplines of Medicine, Law, Technology and NGOs, came together to discuss about methods of improving the health awareness among the people, particularly women. The panel discussions on issues related to “Rape” and “Cross the taboo: Make women speak”, encouraged interesting discussion among the participants. The conference hosted three workshops, five special lectures and six webinars in which resource persons from various countries like China, USA, Kenya and West Indies participated. 50 research scholars, from media, medical and technical field, representing various institutions of the country presented their papers and posters.”
SOC organizes Namma Angadi

Namma Angadi is organized by the post-graduate students of School of Communication, MAHE, as a part of their curriculum. This year’s event was its 15th edition and was held on March 9, 10 and 11, 2018. Namma Angadi is an exhibition organized in association with the Concerned for Working Children (CWC), Kundapura, a Nobel Peace Prize nominee.

Faculty of Architecture

iDiDe held to focus on social outreach projects

iDiDe 2018, an International Design Workshop and Studio, was organized on January 11, 18 at Faculty of Architecture, in collaboration with Deakin University, Australia & International Islamic University, Malaysia. iDiDe pronounced as “i-dee-dee” is Intercultural Dialogue through Design, which has a transcultural themed agenda and mainly focuses on social outreach projects on the basis of three pillars, Culture, Collaboration and Contribution. During iDiDe 2018, the Anganwadi Project at Ajjarkad, Udupi was designed by a cohort of students from all three participating Universities as a Holistic Design Development Centre for Mother and Child of Non-urban and rural Communities. The studio aimed to initiate an Integrated Sustainable Community Development approach through co-design and co-building methods.

FOA organizes ORIGAMI 2018

Faculty of Architecture organized ORIGAMI 2018, one day creative workshop in the Institution on January 16, 2018 for Faculty members, staff and students. The event was focused on learning various forms out of folding and cuttings. The workshop was conducted by National Award winning Origami artist Shivaram Ananthnarayan from Goa. The workshop had 35 participants a diversified group of young and old working together without any barriers. The participants had hands on experience in working and understanding the creation of forms from paper.
SOM organizes conference on digital finance

The Centre for Advanced Research in Financial Inclusion, School of Management, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal organized an international conference on “Fostering Innovation in Financial Inclusion: Strengthening Responsible Finance in the Digital Economy” (FIFI 2018) on February 16, 2018 at KMC Interact Hall, Manipal. Besides providing an opportunity to researchers to share their research findings, the conference organized keynote session from eminent practitioners from reputed financial institutions and academia. The conference focused on the following themes: i) trends in digital financial inclusion; issues and challenges for reaching the financially excluded ii) innovative digital business models and disruptive technologies that support inclusive digital finance, and iii) responsible finance practices. There were six technical sessions in which scientific papers were presented by researchers and practitioners. The FIFI conference brought together more than 60 participants from academia, civil society, and banking.

Department of Commerce

Seminar on ‘Role of women in unpaid care work and its impact on growing economies’

A one day seminar on “Role of Women in Unpaid Care Work and Its Impact on Growing Economies” was organized by Department of Commerce, MAHE, on 24th March. This seminar was sponsored by National Commission for Women, New Delhi. The seminar hosted eight prominent speakers from various NGOs and academicians giving insight on topics such as unpaid care work, role of women, palliative care, the economic loss caused by unpaid care work etc.

Vinyasa, Big dream for future India

Sustainable economic growth and inclusive participation becomes the mantra for India’s future destiny. Manipal Academy of Higher Education is also partnering in this through effective training and skill development among youths. Hence to envisage the milestone, and dream big for the future of the wellbeing, an exhibit of the knowledge-Adaptability from the young commerce students of Department of Commerce to showcase the talent to evidence the BIG DREAM-INDIA. VINYASA will be the Big Dream for Future India through Economic exhibition which can be forecasting of the economic future of the country. VINYASA was held on February 24, 2018 and had more than 32 economic themes which were expressed through physical models by the BBA and B.Com students.
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