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Region I
Dehradun
25 August 2011: Seminar on “Web Technology and Standard”

As per the decisions of CSI Dehradun Chapter’s FIRST Management Committee (MC) meeting on Wed 20-Apr-11, the chapter's THIRD technical event for the year 2011-12, titled “A Seminar on Web technologies and Standards” was organized on Thursday, 25 August ’2011 at Institute of Technology & Management, Dehradun.

Session in progress

Mr. Tapas Sen from M/s IndusNet Technologies, Kolkata delivered the key lecture. He covered various aspects of Web Technology, particularly its basics, contemporary trends and best practices. He also lucidly explained the established web standards being followed in the IT industry and also presented a glimpse of future possibilities. The audience consisting of learned CSI Members, guests, faculty members and students of ITM critically discussed the topic with the speaker.

(From L To R)
Mr. Ashutosh Uniyal, Mr. V.K. Taneja, Mr. Vinay Avasthi, Mr. Tapas Sen
Present on the occasion on behalf of CSI Dehradun Chapter’s Management Committee were Shri. V.K. Taneja, Chairman, Shri Vinay Avasthi, Hony. Secretary, Shri Diganta Dutta, Hony. Treasurer and Shri M.M. Pandey, Member. Prominent among CSI members were Dr. T.N. Jowhar and Dr. Durgesh Pant. Dr. J.M. Agrawal of ITM as co-host conducted the proceedings. Shri Ashutosh Uniyal, HOD Computer Science, ITM conveyed vote of thanks at the end of the event.
Region I
Ghaziabad
30 April 2011: 9th Seminar on “Convergence of Database & Communication Technologies (CDCT-2011)”

The seminar was organized by I.T.S., Mohan Nagar Ghaziabad in association with CSI Ghaziabad Chapter & supported by AICTE, New Delhi. Prof. S. K. Kak, Vice Chancellor, Maha Maya Technical University (MTU), Noida was the Chief Guest in this Seminar. Sh. Subhash Verma, VP-Engineering, Agynt India was the Key Note Speaker and Sh. Manoj Tandon, Director, CSC was present as Guest of Honor in the inaugural session of the Seminar.

Prof. S. K. Kak, touched upon various issues required for research and identified these to increase awareness, availability and accessibility of the technology and its benefits extended to the common man. Sh. Subhash Verma spoke about the latest developments taking place in the IT Industry. Sh. Manoj Tandon said that the converging technologies are leading to a different kind of environment where even without being physically connected with each other and carrying multiple devices installed with different application, a compact mobile phone shall be the replacement.

The seminar was conducted in two technical sessions:
1. Technological Advancements & Research Directions: This session was shared by Dr. S. K. Gupta, Professor, CSE, IIT Delhi, Dr. Mukesh Mohania, S.T.S.M. & Master Inventor, IBM India Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon, Dr. Anirban Mandol, Associate Professor, IIIT Delhi and Mr. Manoj Jain, Head – Applications & Client Relation, Orbis Financial Corp., Gurgaon.

2. Design & Deployment issues in Databases: This session was shared by Mr. Kamal Karnatak, Head-IT, R.J. Corp, Gurgaon, Mr. Madan Rajput, Head-Airtel Accounts, PAN India, New Delhi and Mr. Abhinav Agarwal, Principal Engineer, Oracle Corp., Gurgaon

In the valedictory session, Sh. Bohitesh Mishra, Chief Technology Officer, TIGERS Connect Trans Systems, Noida delivered a talk on the development of Indian Railway Reservation System.

The seminar was attended by the delegates from far places and guests & delegates from near by institutions and faculty members & students of ITS, Mohan Nagar, Ghaziabad approximately more than 300 delegates.
Region II
Kolkata
30-31 July 2011: Two-days Workshop on “Role of Computing in Better Governance”

Two-day workshop on Role of Computing in Better Governance was organized jointly by CSI Kolkata Chapter and BIT Mesra, Kolkata Campus on July 30-31, 2011 at BIT Mesra Kolkata campus premises. Topics discussed were - the advent of technology, information technology, in particular in recent days, demand for use of computing in an enhanced way in providing means for better governance. The call of today is to improve the Government's information technology sector and move towards e-governance in a better way.

Dr P S Roy (Director, IIRS and CSSTEAP, Dehradun) addressing the audience

Key discussion areas: Geographic Information System (GIS) and Remote Sensing, Disaster Management, and e-Governance.

Special Guests: Prof. Pradip Bhattacharya (President, WB INC) and Dr. Srikumar Mukherjee (ex-MIC, WB Govt).

Important Guests: Prof. Ajay Chakraborty (VC, BITM), Prof. Chandan Majumdar, HOD, Dept of CSE, Jadavpur University

Keynote Speech: Dr P S Roy (Director, IIRS and CSSTEAP, Dehradun)

Session Chairs: Prof. Ajay Chakraborty (VC, BITM), Dr P S Roy (IIRS), Mr. Diptendu Dutta (CSIKC), Prof. Phalguni Mukherjee (CSIKC)

Speakers: Prof. Kalyan Kumar Bhar, Civil Engineering Dept, BESU, Prof. M. S. Nathawat (HOD, Dept of RS, BITM), Dr. Srikumar Mukherjee (ex-MIC, WB Govt), Mr. G. Padmanabhan (Emergency Consultant, UNDP), Prof. Aditya Bagchi (ISI, Kolkata) and Mr. Debasis Mullick (Director, Semaphore Computers, Kolkata).

Panelists: Prof. Saradindu Sengupta (Adviser at DST, WB Govt), Mr. Sandhi Mukhopadhyay (Retd IG), Dr. Subrata Gupta (IAS and MD, Kolkata Metro Rail), Mr. Sivaji Ghosh (Special CP I, Kolkata Police).
Key organizers: Dr. Pinakpani Pal, Prof. R T Goswami and Dr. Debasish Jana

6 August 2011: One-day National Seminar on “Mobile Application Development Awareness”

One-day National Seminar on Mobile Application Development Awareness was jointly organized by CSI Kolkata Chapter and IT Dept of Techno India Salt Lake Campus on August 06, 2011 at Techno India Kolkata campus premises. The seminar focused on creating awareness in today’s technical horizon, where smart phones and tablets have become an evolution, or simply a revolution. There are plentiful fascinating mobile applications available on smart phones to make people smarter and thereby making the arena of use of mobile phones especially smart phones more exciting. The seminar attracted lot of interactive inquisitiveness among 100+ participants from industry and academia participating from various parts of India.

Dr. Debasish Jana, Vice Chairman of CSIKC and Editor, CSIC receiving the memento from Techno India

Topics and Speakers:
- Mobile Application Development : Arena and Platform Choices – iPhone, Android (Debasish Jana, CSIKC)
- ObjectiveC, iOS based Development on iPhone (Debasish Jana, CSIKC)
- Context-aware Mobile Phones - towards Ubiquity (Arpan Pal, TCS)
- Android System Fundamentals (Chirabrata Bhaumick and Avik Ghose, TCS)
- Diving Deeper into Android - GUI, Security, Sensing (Avik Ghose and Diptesh Das, TCS)
- Android Programming with Debugging and Live Session on Simulator and Android Devices (Avik Ghose and Diptesh Das, TCS)

Key organizers: Dr. Debasish Jana, Mr. Sushanta Sinha (CSIKC), Mr. Piyal Sarkar (Techno).
Program Conveners: Prof. Phalguni Mukherjee, Mr. Avik Bose (CSIKC)
A National Workshop on Geographical Information System (GIS) had been organized by Computer Society of India, Udaipur Chapter in association with University Computer Center, Sukhadia University Udaipur at Vigyan Bhawan on 20-21st August, 2011.

Inaugural session was addressed by Prof S.N.A. Jaffarey, Director, University Computer center, Prof. Maheep Bhatnager, Dean, College of Science and Mr. Monoj Agrawal, Managing Director, E-Connect Solutions. A keynote address was delivered by Prof. R.N. Vyas. Prof Vyas shared his experiences related to GIS based projects handled by him. He explained that “Geography is everywhere” and it can be used to grow the business using better monitoring. Prof Jaffarey stressed the need for the use of GIS, especially in government sectors to implement all welfare schemes.

Mr. Azimuddin Khan, Chairman, CSI Udaipur chapter has also addressed the session and he explained the Geographical Information System and gave knowledge about the areas where it can be applied. GIS is being used in almost every field including Business, Banking, Insurance, Logistics, Government, Security, Disaster Management, Health Management, Transportation planning, Agriculture, Natural resource management, Mining, Forest Management, Oil and Gas Distribution, Power distribution, Telecommunication, Water and Waste Management.

Mr. Mazher Hussain conducted the inaugural session and briefed about the objectives of the workshop. He further provided the details that Workshop was divided into four sessions. Each session was of three hours. Workshop was attended by 46 participants from Hindustan Zinc Ltd, RSMM Ltd., Secure Meters, Birla Cement Works, Indian Bureau of Mines, Department of Mines and Geology, faculty members and research scholars from various colleges and universities.

First Session was taken by Prof Alok Porwal from Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai who is having more than 20 years of experience in GIS. He explained the concept, tools and techniques of GIS. He also talked about the mathematical modeling based on GIS to generate the analytics for better decision making.

Second session was conducted by Mr. Rupesh from ESRI India. He exposed the participant with Arc GIS product. Participants learned the GIS through hands on session along with the faculty. Mr. Chintan Ojha and Mr. Rupesh from ESRI India took third session. In third session, advanced function of GIS software was explained. Mr. Rupesh had taken the Ahmedabad City picture and shown the method creating various layers like roads, building, lakes etc. Prof Alok Porwal had taken forth session and shown the live mathematical modeling for mineral exploration using GIS software. He further explained that similar kind of modeling can be done in other application areas. GIS can provide you the answer to five basic generic questions Location (What exists at a particular location), Condition (Identify locations where certain conditions exist), Trends (What has changed since), Patterns (What spatial pattern exists), Modeling (What if analysis).
Dr. Alok Porwal, IIT Mumbai taking session one

Dr NK Pareek, Sr CSI member conducted the assessment exam for the participants. First prize was won by Mr. Ram Dayal and Ms. Subira Sharma from Hindustan Zinc Ltd. Mr. ML Talesra, Vice Chairman, CSI Udaipur Chapter, Dr. Manju Mandot, Dr. Sk Sharma, Mr. Shafik Ahmed, Mr. Sanjeev Agrawal and Mr. Neeraj Shrimali had also extended their efforts. Mr. Mazher Hussain conducted the valedictory session and concluded the workshop by extending vote of thanks to all participants specially Prof Alok Porwal, IIT, Mumbai and technical team from ESRI, India. Workshop has provided the insight of GIS to improve management, decision making and control of operations.

Participants from various organizations
Region III
Vadodara
4 September 2011: Workshop on “Application Development on Android”

Venue: BCA, M S University, Vadodara

**What is Android?** Android is a software platform and operating system for mobile devices, based on the Linux kernel, and developed by Google and later the Open Handset Alliance. It allows developers to write managed code in the Java language, controlling the device via Google-developed Java libraries.

The unveiling of the Android platform on 5 November 2007, was announced with the founding of the Open Handset Alliance, a consortium of 48 hardware, software, and telecom companies devoted to advancing open standards for mobile devices.

Google released most of the Android code under the Apache license, a free-software and open source license. Android is the fastest growing operating platform on Mobile devices during last year.

**Target Audience:**
Workshop was arranged for the beginner, who wants to step into development of application on Android platform. We have enrolled 29 participants for this workshop, out of which 13 were students.

**Workshop:**
Mr. Nirav Shah of Rishabhsoft was the faculty for this workshop. He has over 2.5 years experience on the application development on Android platform. The first half was dedicated to introduce to the participants on the World of Android via a presentation. The Main topics for the presentation were:

- What is Android?
- Where is Android?
- Android Versions Released so far
- Available to Handset
- What is Android Market?
Applications Available
Future of Android Applications
Application Development Environment
Benefits of Android
Question & Answer

There was very good interaction from the participants during the presentation. Post Lunch Session was totally dedicated on Hand on session where the emphasis was more on developing elementary programs on Android using Eclipse for Windows platform. Each participant was provided a work station for the hands on session.

Event:
The workshop was inaugurated by Prof B Parekh, Chairman of CSI Vadodara Chapter along with Pravin Jain, Secretary, CSI Vadodara Chapter and Anjan Thakur, the Workshop Coordinator.

The workshop was concluded by Vote of thanks by Mr. Pravin Jain, Secretary, CSI Vadodara Chapter. He especially thanked Head of Department of BCA of M S University for providing the lab for conducting this workshop. He also thanked the faculty Mr. Nirav Shah for conducting this workshop and all others who helped in making this workshop a success. As an appreciation for the effort put by Mr. Nirav Shah, our chairman Prof B Parekh gave a memento to Mr. Nirav Shah.

Special thanks were given to the participants without their presence the Workshop would never been a success. We also have taken a feedback from the participants on the workshop and it shows that they enjoyed the Workshop.
“Collaborate to grow” has become the buzz theme of IT industry. IT Organizations, educational institutes, vendors, Human Resource Institutes and so on are no exception to this. Learning from the lessons and sharing of best practices among these entities are becoming common now.

Computer Society of India-Bangalore Chapter (CSI-BC) arranged half-day event wherein organizations and academia came forward to share their “Best practices”. Suresh Thiagarajan, Service Architect, Start Run Training Academy event managed the session with able support from other chapter members.

The event witnessed registration from 6 industries and 3 institutions. A review committee consisting of Dr. Anirban, Mr. Balasubbaraman and Mr. Iqbal Ahmed evaluated the presentations. IBM, Collabera, Misys, Siemens and ICICI Manipal Academy, IFIM Business School entered into the final round of the event. The topics presented followed themes on improvement towards quality, productivity, GreenIT, industry focus and innovation.

The presenters from the above industries and institutions showcased their best practices in front of the audience and a panel of judges consisting of Mr. Shashikanth (IBM) and Prof. Nagadevara (IIMB) evaluated the presentations. Each team was given 15 minutes of duration for presenting their best practices followed by Q & A session. It was interesting to watch a team of young students from IFIM Business School competing with the professionals.

The judges pronounced the results with first and second places taken by IBM and Collabera under ‘industry’ category and ICICI Manipal and IFIM Business School under ‘institution’ category. The audience opined that the presentations were of good quality. Event concluded with judges presenting mementos to the Winners and Runners Up.
Region V
Visakhapatnam
20 August 2011: Program on “Computer Awareness Training for Students”

Sri AP Choudhary, Chairman, CSI, Visakhapatnam Chapter & Chairman Cum Managing Director(CMD), RINL inaugurated “Computer Awareness Training Programme for Students” at ZPH School, Islampeta, a Rural area in Visakhapatnam District, AndhraPradesh,India on 20th Aug 2011.

The objective of the programme was to promote awareness of IT in Rural Area. He called upon the students to work hard to achieve their goals. He told students that the background and the schools in which they study whether it is rural or urban does not matter in achieving their targets if they work hard with the objective of achieving something great in life. And he also encouraged them to learn more about computers. Now-a-days all things will be working on computers and Internet. Computer Society of India will be giving trainings in the rural areas he added.

On this occasion Sri P Madhusudan, Vice-Chairman, CSI - Visakhapatnam Chapter and Director(Fin.) RINL inaugurated “CSI eNews” of Visakhapatnam Chapter for the months of May-June-July 2011 (eNews on Quarterly Base).

AP Choudhary & his team watching the training programme after inauguration

Sri Paramata Satyanaraya, Secretary, CSI Vizag explained various initiatives of CSI Vizag to promote IT in rural areas. He informed that the present training programme is for 2 months covering 100 students consisting of 50 nos from ZPH School and 50 nos from Junior College, who are selected based on a written test conducted by CSI and School jointly. The training programme for selected students is to be conducted by M/s DATAPRO on computer Basics like MS Office, Windows Basics, Photo Shop, Basics of Internet, which are useful to the students for their career.

About 800 students participated in the programme.
Region VII
*Sivakasi
26 August 2011: Inauguration of “New CSI Chapter”

On 26.08.11 Computer Society of India, Sivakasi Chapter was inaugurated at Bell Hotel Sivakasi. The function started with the prayer song. Mr. J. Maruthu Pandi AP, of Mepco Schlenk Engineering College, Sivakasi welcomed the gathering.

Mr. M. D. Agrawal, President of CSI (Head of IT and Deputy General Manager of IS Dept. at Refinery division of Bharat Petroleum Corp. Ltd., Mumbai) inaugurated the Sivakasi Chapter by Lighting the Kuthuvillaku.

Mr. M. D. Agrawal, President CSI, inaugurated the Sivakasi Chapter by Lighting the Kuthuvillaku

After that Dr. M. A. Maluk Mohamed, Tamilnadu State CSI Student Co-ordinator (Principal, M.A.M. College of Engineering, Triuchirappalli) introduced the Office bearers of CSI Sivakasi Chapter.

Dr. T. Revathi HOD, IT of Mepco Schlenk Engineering College proposed the plan of chapter activities for the forthcoming year. Dr. S. Balakrishnan, Principal, Mepco Schlenk Engineering College, Sivakasi gave the Presidential Address.

Mr. M. D. Agrawal gave the inaugural address and he motivated the office bearers to get the Best Chapter Award. Then Guest of Honor Prof. Dr. H.R. Vishwakarma, Hon. Secretary CSI (Senior Professor, School of Information Technology & Engineering, VIT, Vellore) gave the keynote address, followed by Guest of Honor Mr. S. Ramasamy Vice President CSI Region VII (Centre Head- Global Yellowpages Singapore Ltd) gave the keynote address.

Mr. M. Kanagaraj AP, of Mepco Schlenk Engineering college, Sivakasi gave the vote of thanks.
Region VII
Tiruchirappalli
14 September 2011: Annual Interschool “Quiz Competition”

Computer Society of India (CSI) – Tiruchirappalli Chapter in association with Department of Computer Science, Information Technology and Applications, Department of Master of Computer Applications of the Shrimathi Indira Gandhi College and the Sri Jeyandra Matriculation Higher Secondary School jointly organized an annual interschool quiz competition at the Sri Jeyandra Matriculation Higher Secondary School in the city on 14/9/2011 Wednesday.

G. Balakrishnan, former vice principal, St. Joseph’s college, was the quiz master. R. Hariprasad, S. Parthasarathy and B. Riswanth were the members of the team. Sri Vignesh Renga Matriculation HigherSecondary School team comprising P. Thirumavalavan, R. Logaprakash and M. Vijay finished runners-up. The third prize went to Sri Jeyandra Matriculation Higher Secondary School team of G. Priyadarshini, C. Santhoshi and P. Nandhini.

A total of 19 teams from 10 schools participated in the quiz. Santhi Maragathamani, Deputy General Manager, BHEL, Tiruchi, was the chief guest.

S. Kunjithapatham, secretary of the National College Council, Balakrishnan, M. Rema, Vice principal, Shrimathi Indira Gandhi College and A. Ulagappan, Principal, Sri Jeyandra Matriculation Higher Secondary School and Mr. M. Palaniyandi Chairman CSI Tiruchirappalli chapter offered felicitations. A three-member team from the Srirangam Boys Higher Secondary school won the ‘Vidya Seva Ratnam Shri K. Santhanam Championshio Rolling Trophy’.

Report by
Prof. S. Ravimaran
Secretary - CSI Tiruchirappalli Chapter
Professor and Head
Region VII
Trivandrum

27 July 2011: Technical Talk on “Guided Inquiry Learning for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education”
The talk was delivered by Dr. Clifton L. Kussmaul, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, USA.

3 August 2011: Technical Talk on “Mind Mastery”
The talk was given by Dr. P.P. Vijayan, Secretary General, Life Line Foundation, Thiruvananthapuram.

10 August 2011: Technical Talk on “Business Intelligence and Data Warehousing”
The talk was given by Mr. Shaju Cherian, Senior Project Manager, Infosys, Technopark, Thiruvananthapuram.
SIG-WNs and Student Branch at College of Technology and Engineering, CSI organized a two days training programme and workshop on Mobile and Embedded Operating System during 18-19th July, 2011.

Mr. P. Chandrashekhar Senior Embedded System Engineer, Edgate Technologies, Bangalore spoke on the functioning of Advanced RISC Machine-9 (ARM9) processor on the ARM9 processor kit. This processor operates in Mizi Linux Environment. The applications of this processor are writing device driver for different device interfaces, learning basic instructions at programming of ARM9, running different mobile OS on ARM9.

The Head CSE, Dr. Naveen Choudhary, in his address speech expressed his views regarding the workshop and added that the organization of such type of massive workshops have proved to be beneficial for the students in enriching their knowledge with new technological advancements around the globe each day.

The Convenor SIG-WNs CSI, Dr. Dharm Singh, revealed that the CSI Students branch of college has been organizing several seminars and workshops and encouraging more and more students to participate in these activities enthusiastically.

The workshop was organized by the CSI, student branch, CTAE and SIG-WNs. The students of M.E., B.E. Final Year of Computer Science Engineering and IT and faculty members actively participated in the event. Ms. Rajshree Godawat, the CSI Coordinator, presented the vote of thanks to all the dignitaries.
Region V
Anil Neerukonda Institute of Technology & Sciences (ANITS), Sangivalasa
23 July 2011: First Faculty Seminar on “Data Warehousing”

The first faculty seminar under CSI expert lecture series for the Academic year 2011-12 has started as planned in the Academic Calendar and the seminar was given on Data Warehousing by Mr. P. Srinivasu. Students of III/IV and IV/IV CSE & IT, faculty members of CSE attended the seminar.

The topics discussed are:
- Overview of Data Warehousing
- Data Warehouse Architectures
- How to create a data warehouse
- How to design a data warehouse
- Understanding the ETL process

Seminar on ‘Data Warehousing’ in progress

The seminar focused on Industry Oriented approach by covering the above concepts with Data Warehouse Life Cycle. OLTP and OLAP systems were clearly addressed with detailed discussions by taking examples like Banking Applications, ATM, Airline Reservation System, Inventory Systems etc. The approach for building Data Marts and Data Warehouse using Dimensional Models like Star Schema, Snow-flake Schema and Hybrid schema were also discussed. ETL process in construction of Data Warehouse was explained with illustrative examples. Different kinds of loading techniques like Initial Loading, Incremental Loading of data into target system were explained in the seminar.

30 July 2011: First Faculty Seminar on “Advanced Java and Its Applications”

An Expert lecture on “Advanced Java and Its Application” was conducted by the CSI Student Branch in Anil Neerukonda Institute of Technology & Sciences (India), Visakhapatnam on 30th July, 2011. Mr. Y. V. Srinivasa Murthy, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE, ANITS explained the concepts related to Programming techniques, standards, Application
classifications, Java classifications (J2SE, J2EE, J2ME), Window based applications and Database Connectivity using Java.

**Seminar on ‘Java’ in progress**

**29 - 31 July 2011: Three-days Workshop on “ANDROID OS”**

CSI Student Branch in coordination with Swecha, Hyderabad conducted a 3 day workshop on “ANDROID OS” in the college on 29th, 30th and 31st July 2011. The resource persons were Mr. Ashish from TCS, Mr. Ashwin Bhave and Mr.Vishnu Kakarlapudi from Wipro Technologies, Hyderabad. Dr. V.S.R.K.Prasad, Principal, Prof. K.V.S.V.N. Raju, Director (R&D), Prof. Ch. Suresh, HOD, IT attended the inaugural function and addressed the students about the importance and benefits of Open source in the present world. Prof. Ch. Suresh advised the students to learn new technologies and upgrade themselves to meet the present industry standards.
Mr. S Raja discussed mainly about the Embedded Systems and their applications. He also distinguished Real Time Embedded System from other systems. He even clarified the students about the difference between real time and non-real time systems. He also briefed about the major components of Embedded Systems and also their pros and cons. Topics like Real Time Operating Systems and its features like Scheduling, Resource allocation, Interrupt Handling etc., were discussed more elaborately.
Region V
R. V. College of engineering, Bangalore
14 July 2011: One-day Workshop on “Advanced Features of MS Office”

The workshops for skill up-gradation of technical and clerical staff is a continuous process being practiced at RVCE. As a part of it, department of ISE conducted one-day workshop on “Advanced Features of MS-Office” for clerical staff of RVCE on 14-07-2011.

The workshop was attended by 18 participants from various departments of the institution. The workshop contents were designed and delivered by technical staff of ISE. The contents included Mail Merge, Graphs options in MS-Word, Filter and Pivot table in MS-Excel and user interface design in MS-Access. The training was conducted by Mr. I M Umesh, Ms Maheshwari D G, Ms Yashodha T and Ms Anisha B S. The participants were allowed to gain hands on experience after demonstration of every feature. The programme was well received by the participants.

Participants of MS Office workshop

Dr Ramakanth Kumar P, HOD - ISE distributed the certificates and advised the participants to implement the knowledge gained in workshop in their regular work. Prof Shantharam Nayak spoke about the importance of upgrading the skills and briefed the participants about the workshops planned in the coming months. Ms Nagaraj Cholli, Assistant Professor was also present during the valedictory programme and gave useful tips to participants. The programme was concluded with vote of thanks by Ms Yashodha.
Region V  
Dadi Institute of Engineering & Technology (DIET), Anakapalle  
9 September 2011: Technical Talk on “Enterprise Resource Planning Implementation”

Occasion: Dennis Ritchie, C-Developer Birth Day Celebrations, 9th Sep 11  
Speaker: Dr. S.N. Rao, DGM(ERP), Vizag Steel Plant

DIET CSI SB conducted a technical talk on “Enterprise Resource Planning(ERP) Implementation” commemorating the birthday of the Dennis Ritchie, the Scientist and the Originator of the C Language, where the chief guest was Dr. S.N Rao, DGM(ERP), Vizag Steel Plant.

Dr. SN Rao felicitation on Dennis Ritchie B'Day

Addressing the students Dr. S. N. Rao, spoke about Dennis Ritche and the C Language and Unix Operating System in the present day technological world. He also delivered talk on implementation of ERP in Steel industry, also explained the students how they can use different ERPs in software industries with different real time explanation.

On this occasion Dr. S.N. Rao was felicitated by DIET Secretary Sri Dadi Ratnakar, Principal Dr. B. Jagan MohanRao and DIET CSI SBC Sri G. Satyanarayana.

15 September 2011: Technical Talk on “Project Orientation and Job Opportunities in IT”

Occasion: Engineer’s Day Celebrations, 15th September 2011  
Speaker: Mr. Jacob RajKumar, Vice-President(operations), Symbiosys Technologies

On the occasion of Engineer’s Day celebration, the DIET CSI Student Branch organized a technical event on “Project orientation and job opportunities in IT” by a distinguished personality Sri Jacob RajKumar, Vice-President (Operations), Symbiosys Technologies.
The speaker focused on identifying opportunities in IT sector & he made attempt to connect the student community with the global world. He explained about the projects, the need of doing them. He also explained how exactly the process of software development is carried out by the companies and encouraged the students & encouraged them to increase their skills and knowledge to meet the IT world’s requirements. This was a wonderful session conducted by DIET CSI SB, which conveys the importance of Projects and stated the opportunities in IT field.

On this occasion Dr. S.N. Rao was felicitated by DIET Secretary Sri Dadi Ratnakar, Principal Dr. B. Jagan MohanRao and DIET CSI SBC Sri G. Satyanarayana.
Region V
Gitam Institute of Technology (GIT), Gitam University, Visakhapatnam
13 September 2011: Guest Lecture on “Cloud Computing and its Applications”

Speaker: Prof. K. Thammi Reddy, CSI Life Member
Theme: The theme of the lecture is to enlighten the students about the Cloud Computing and Its Applications.

The CSI student chapter initiated the Guest Lecture on Cloud Computing and Its Applications with opening remarks by Dr. D. RajyaLakshmi, CSI Student Branch Coordinator and she addressed the gathering with a brief note on what a cloud computing is and how it would change the future of the world.

Dr. K. Thammi Reddy, CSI Life Member and guest of the function elaborately explained about cloud computing. He also mentioned different types of clouds available in the current world and how they are useful. He also stressed upon the cloud computing environment that existed in GITAM University as a practical example with architecture of the Cloud. He also stated that Cloud computing can be useful in different levels and it is of Pay Per Use Delivery System. He also enlisted the change in the system from client server, grid Computing and Cloud Computing with graphs which clearly depicts that industry is moving towards it. He also insisted students to work upon cloud computing as the IT industry is lacking professionals in this area. He also stated examples of industries that are implementing Cloud Computing Technology like Amazon.com, google apps and others. Dr. D. Rajya Lakshmi thanked the guest for sharing his expertise on cloud computing.

Participants for the Guest Lecture

More than 100 students from departments of CSE and IT have attended the session and acquired good amount of knowledge of cloud computing.

The Lecture session was closed with vote of thanks to the Guest and fellow CSI student members.
Region V

*St Aloysius Institute of Management & Information Technology (AIMIT), Mangalore*

10 August 2011: Inauguration Function - “Inauguration of New Student Branch”

The Student Branch of the ‘Computer Society of India’ (CSI) of St Aloysius Institute of Information Technology was inaugurated in the college auditorium on Wednesday, August 10 morning.

**Inauguration in process**

The formal programme began with an invocation in the form of a prayer song rendered by the college choir. President CSI - AIMIT Leoraj D'Souza welcomed the guests and gathering.

Dr Santhi Thilagam, assistant professor and HOD Computer Science and Engineering, NITK, Suratkal was the chief guest and Fr Denzil Lobo SJ presided over the function. Prof. Santhosh Rebello, dean – dept of Computer Sciences AIMIT and Leoraj D'Souza were the dignitaries present on the dais.

Rizwan introduced the chief guest, Dr Thilagam to the gathering. Later, the guests inaugurated the function by lighting the traditional lamp.

Dr Thilagam in her presidential address highlighted the importance of imagination, innovation and creative thinking to survive in the present-day industry. She said that CSI India provided the students with a platform precisely to do that. The mission of CSI is to facilitate research, knowledge-sharing, learning and career enhancement for all categories of IT professionals, while simultaneously inspiring and nurturing new entrants into the industry and helping them to integrate into the IT community.

“The CSI is also working closely with other industry associations, government bodies and academia to ensure that the benefits of IT advancement ultimately percolate down to every single citizen of India,” she added.

Addressing the students, AIMIT director Fr Denzil highlighted the need for reformation in the present education system - the University needs a shift. He backed up his statement by saying
that 'Education is not just memorizing or teaching. It is not just knowledge, but it is wisdom
that is going to make your future bright.'

'Things are changing almost everyday. We have to look ahead into the future, say, 20 to 30
years ahead. How can we make our education more innovative and impart thinking in our
students? This has always been the only priority for us here at AIMIT, and that is what we are
trying to achieve,' he stressed.

Quoting Russel Ackoff, the well-known academian and author, Fr Lobo said, “Look what the
educational system does to creativity. Every child learns at a very early stage that when they
are asked a question in school they must first ask themselves a question: What answer does
the person asking it expect? That’s the way you get through school, by providing people with
the answers they expect. Now, one thing about an answer that somebody else expects is it
cannot be creative because it is already known. What we ought to be trying to do with
children is get them to give us answers that we don’t expect - to stimulate creativity. We kill it
in school,” he further said.

CSI chapter in AIMIT is introduced with the main intention of appreciating the students to do
more than what is done in the class and to encourage students to think creatively and look
beyond in the future.

Vice President CSI - AIMIT John Rasquinha delivered a vote of thanks. A talk on ‘Techno
Talk Series’ followed.

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right path since its formative years. Today, the CSI has 69 chapters all over India, 381 student
branches, and over 70,000 members, including India’s most famous IT industry leaders,
brilliant scientists and dedicated academicians.
Region VI
Anuradha Engineering College, Chikhli, Dist. Buldhana
23-26 August 2011: Four Days Workshop on “Oracle 11g & .Net”

Mr M K Moakshi, Program Coordinator, spoke about Workshop and program Schedule. Prof. Avinash S Kapse, Head of Department, CSE talked about importance of workshop & made appeal to students to improve their personality and also to use these techniques in future life.

L to R: Mr. M K Mokashi, Dr. V K Naik, Prof. Avinash Kapse, Dr. S V Agarkar, Mr Santosh Selokar, Mr D G Vyawahare, Mr N N Kumbhar

Dr. S V Agarkar, Principal, Spoke about importance of Oracle & .Net technology. He also spoke about globalization of knowledge & about projects need of society.

Participants in the workshop

Mr D G Vyawahare spoke about CSI & CESA Students Chapter and progress of chapters.
Region VII
*Sree Narayana Gurukulam College of Engineering, Kadayiruppu, Kollencherri
21 July 2011: Inauguration of “New CSI Student Branch”

The Student Branch of Computer Society of India at Sree Narayana Gurukulam College of Engineering, Kadayiruppu, Kollencherry was inaugurated by Mr. Gigo Joseph, CEO, Infopark Cochin on 21st July, 2011.

The inaugural function was followed by a technical talk on "Data Security using Cryptography" by Dr. Varghese Paul, Professor, School of Engineering, Cochin University of Science & Technology.

*Dr Verghese Paul being welcomed

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A Two Day National Level Technical Symposium was organized by Department of Information Technology in association with CSI Student Branch on 18th & 19th August 2011.

The welcome address was given by L.Arumugam, President(XploITs 2K11). The Presidential address was given by the Principal Dr.M.Balasubramanian. He conveyed to the students that these kinds of Programmes are needed for students to develop their leadership and coordination skills.

The Inaugural address was given by Mr.M.Sathymurthi HCL Technologies. He shared his vast experience in IT industry with the students, which really motivated the students. The Keynote address was given by Mr.Muthuswamy Ramachandran, Mahindra Satyam. He explained the real situation in IT industry and helped the students how to prepare for their professional life. The felicitation address was given by Prof R.S.VijayRaviKumaran Head of the Department. Vote of thanks was given by Mr A Vijayakumar – Vice President,Prefinal Year student.

The welcome address was given by Mr. P.Sramanth Varma Secretary (XploITs 2K11). XploITs 2K11 report was presented by Ms.S.Amurthi & Ms.M.S.Sowmiya Final Year Students. Mr.A.Mathru Bootham gave the Valedictory address regarding scope for the professional students in IT industry.

The Keynote address was given by Mr.P.Lingesh Ananth gave an inspirational and motivational speech for the students regarding the social activities & services apart from the profession. He also shared his experience about to lead the life to make it more balanced.Finally prizes were distributed for winners from various events. Mr. C. Harish Final Year, gave the Vote of Thanks.