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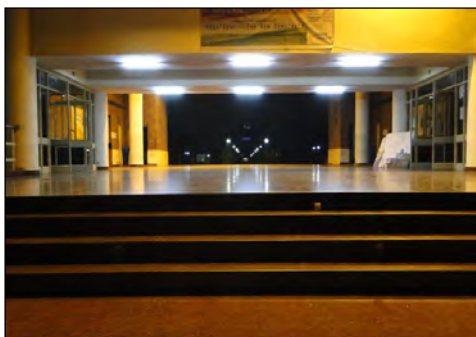
FRESHER'S SPECIAL

BRINGING NSIT TOGETHER Issue 6.1

Welcome aboard fellow NSITians.

The moment you gained admission in NSIT made you eligible to embark on a ride that teaches you much more than engineering. You get to learn about life. About following your passion. About discovering yourself. And most importantly, crafting yourself to be a better person. Presenting to you, a snippet of what all you will encounter in NSIT.

Bon Voyage!



Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology(NSIT), Dwarka is an autonomous institution of the Government of NCT of Delhi. It was established in 1983 as Delhi Institute of Technology(DIT), then renamed NSIT in 1997 when it was shifted to its present campus in Dwarka.

NSIT started with just one branch,

Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), but has evolved with the needs and trends of the engineering world. At present, NSIT offers undergraduate degrees in 6 disciplines : Computer Engineering(COE), Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), Information Technology(IT), Manufacturing Processes and Automation

Engineering(MPAE), Instrumentation and Control Engineering(ICE) and Bio Technology(BT).

NSIT has a tradition of excellence which is emoted in various arenas. Its students have ushered in software technology



advancements, mechanical marvels, automation wonders, and have also contributed towards the society. The atmosphere in NSIT is conducive for activities that help a person grow and prosper. From consulting clubs to computer societies to social clubs, there is something for everyone!

Until 2009, NSIT shared its admission procedure and syllabus for its undergraduate Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.) degree program with Delhi College of Engineering, both of which were prescribed by the Faculty of Technology, University of Delhi. But with the conversion of Delhi College of Engineering into Delhi Technological University, NSIT has become the only engineering college of the University of Delhi.

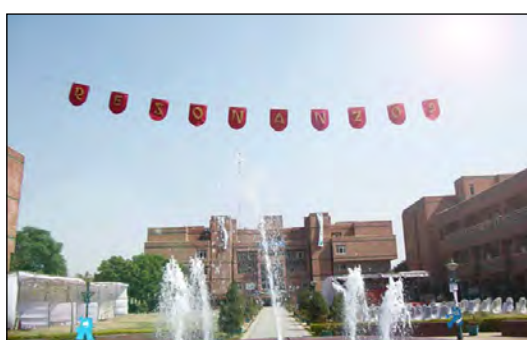


From 2010, NSIT started admitting students for their B.E. program on the basis of All India Engineering Entrance Examination(AIEEE) doing away with the Common Entrance Exam(CEE) system.

NSIT houses many cafeterias but they have also seen a lot change. You'll notice that many of your seniors refer to Zayca Snack zone as "Nesci" as there was a Nescafe shop there before Zayca came up in its place.

We hope that NSIT reveals the best in you!

Best of Luck!



The NSIT Library has also increased the number of available books significantly over the last couple of years. It was limited to the basement of the Library complex till last year but now it has been shifted to the first and the second floor of the building. The basement still houses the Book Bank from where books can be borrowed for the entire semester.

This video summarizes the Life at NSIT: <http://www.nsitonline.in/aboutnsit/glance-at-nsit.html>



HOSTEL LIFE v/s DAY SCHOLAR

AYUSH MAITI

“Memories unlimited” is what you can proudly say, when you live in NSIT’s hostels. It is a life-changing experience which evolves your outlook towards life and your goals to a new level. As a person, you become more responsible, independent, and social. You learn to act as a basic doctor, a plumber, an electrician, a cleaner, a washer, and much more! You no longer have to request your mother to wash your clothes, to make snacks and tea or coffee for you, or to chase a lizard away. You would not mind your friends wearing your clothes, finishing off your entire semester’s supply of special home-made ladoos or other delicious ‘Ghar ka Khana’. You have no problem sharing your room with friends, and even trust them to access your room in your absence. In the hostel, you may call up your friends at two in the night for movies, songs, books, a drafter, instant noodles, or anything else; and you would not mind giving back in return as well. In the hostel, everybody is his (or her) own king, and lives like a free bird. There are no time constraints in NSIT’s hostels except the evening entry timings for the 1st year Boys’ Hostel and for all the Girls’ Hostels. You can stay up all night and watch late night movies with your friends. You learn to take decisions completely on your own; no one is there to correct or reprimand you. You learn to become self-dependant. You can listen to loud music when you want to, or watch any movie at any time. In the hostel, nobody is there to stop you from texting, or chatting on Facebook. Even seniors enjoy helping out their juniors at all times, be it day or night. In the hostel, you make an everlasting unbreakable bond with all the other hostellers and at the end, you might not have a trophy or medal to show for it, but you will carry great memories of hostel wing friends, class friends, study group friends, notes-sharing friends, and seniors with you when you leave. At the end of 4 years, you will find it hard to battle your tears while reminiscing the memories and the bonds that you shared with these friends.

On the academic level, the hostel houses many toppers who can possess the art of concentrating in death-defying situations i.e in hostel. You do not have to worry about notes, books, practical files, Engineering Drawing (ED) sheets and Machine Drawing (MD) sheets, or any other study material. You can procure them from any hosteller, at any time, even on the eve of the practical examinations! You get acquainted with the “*jugaad*” technology called ‘Topo’ for mass producing ED and MD sheets. During exams, you just have to study for the last two or three weeks, depending on your abilities, and you will surely excel in the exams, and may even shine out as a topper. As a rule of thumb, there always exists a friend who is an authority on a particular subject who is there to clear all your doubts.

Considering future prospects, a hosteller always has the added advantage of a huge network to work with, and to take request guidance. Networking always helps, be it in the corporate world, or organizational favours during fests in the college, or in preparing for Graduate school as well as for competitive exams. Interacting with, and managing such a large network helps develop your communication skills. You become an extrovert, and learn to mix with different kinds of people. You come across people having different goals, backgrounds, and stories, which help you a lot in attaining knowledge from the sheer diversity of experiences.

Killing time is never as easy as it is in the hostel. Group discussions, known more popularly as *Thass* sessions could commence anywhere, at any time, on just about any issue possible, and the next moment you find everyone actively pitching in with their own ideologies and views about life. You will surely learn and perhaps, even invent new tricks, if you want to study – studying under a table lamp, covering the window pane with black paper, getting yourself locked in your own room from the outside to pretend that you are not inside, hiding your books under the mattress when your friends arrive suddenly, and many more. In the hostel, you become resourceful, ending up making room coolers and water coolers substitute refrigerators.

It’s not the end, hostels indeed have another face with questionable toilets, water shortage, salinated water, no Wi-Fi, and most importantly –unsavoury food. It makes your gastronomical organ crave for authentic ‘Maa Ka Khana’. However, you will gradually adjust to it and it would eventually prepare you for worse food that you might face in the future. Suddenly you discover your love for green vegetables and crave for non – vegetarian food items. You will certainly forget what cleanliness is. You may come across fellow hostellers who have not taken a bath for weeks or those who wear the same clothes every day. But, a hostel is the only place where you wake up at 9:20 A.M. and reach your class at 9:30 A.M.

‘It’s a home away from home’. Ultimately, you will cherish every moment spent in this heaven and feel nostalgic about it after your college days. You will be groomed to become a person with a strong sense of independence and self-reliance.

KRISHAN KUMAR SINGH

“The one who is envied by the whole hostel contingent,
One who vacillates randomly with a bag and an iPad,
Foodaholic, workaholic or just too busy,
Don’t ever dare to underrate NSIT’s majestic dayski”

These words of resentment and jealousy are easy to be heard in the corridors of NSIT’s Hostels, and are well justified seeing the charming life of a day-scholar. Spending an eventful day at the college and a pacific night at home, this student community is not only able to develop a healthy body clock, but also has come out with phenomenal achievements in the past.

Day-scholars, or “dayskis” as we call them, are an integral part of NSIT’s culture. The question, “Are you a day-scholar or a hosteller?” sounds hackneyed in the campus in the first month of every odd semester. In fact, NSIT along with DTU has arguably one of the biggest crowd of day-scholars amongst the top technical colleges in India.

Dwarka Mor Metro Station, bickering rickshaw-wallas, and the deserted North Gate, these odd connected terms actually form the featured points in the virtuous cycle of a lot of students in the college which has displayed terrific cutoffs year after year, especially in the Delhi region.

Though a few elements of the sluggish hostel junta may be spotted saying that nothing can compare to their “interesting” daily routines, even they would not dare to overlook the fun dayskis have in the college. The pleasures of spending hours in the college canteens, sitting idle and daydreaming near the central fountain or just a random walk to discover the hidden areas of the campus; these joys remain unparalleled compared to the somewhat mundane act of taking a short nap in the hostel.

Why should you choose to stay at home?

1. Family, Friends and Food – If you can’t afford to miss any one of them for a week, you have an ideal dayski element in you.
2. Putting it simply, if you want to keep your nerves and veins dynamic and wish to recreate yourself via travelling, time to give it a try.
3. If you are just too homesick or lazy enough to register for the hostel!
4. NSIT offers a multitude of opportunities, and being at home one gets a rejuvenating atmosphere to pursue them.

Nothing can compare to your four years of stay at NSIT and, the experience gained in this timeframe could be relished either being a day-scholar or a hosteller. But give a second push to your thoughts if you stand a chance to commute from home, because the incredible opportunity to be a dayski welcomes you with full vigor!

Do you have something to say? Send in a letter to the editor
Mail us at ‘nsit.newspaper@nsitonline.in’

Placements and Future Prospects

ISHAN NIGAM

The last year saw many NSITians making it to top corporates, US Engineering colleges and also to Management and Economics colleges both in India and abroad. Here, we bring to you, an introduction to your super seniors!

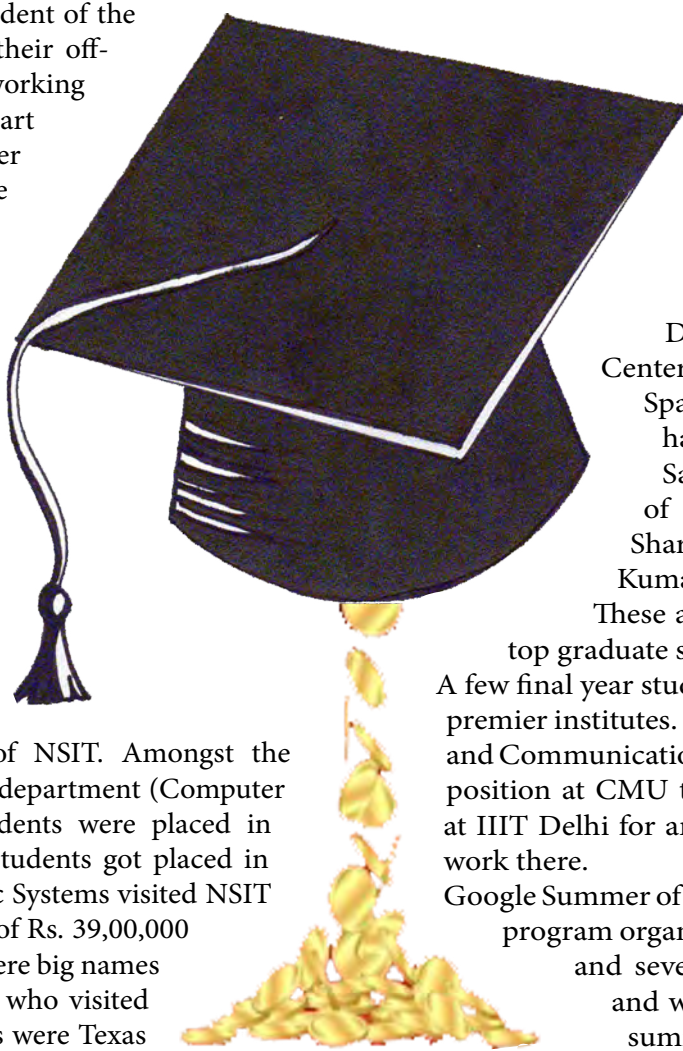
Ekanshpreet Singh, an Information Technology student of the class of 2012, bagged an offer with Facebook in their off-campus recruitment drive last year. He will start working for the social networking site in California soon. Apart from this, Ekanshpreet has been a Google Summer of Code (GSoC) intern for 3 successive years. He has co-authored 4 research papers, one of which was published at the Massachusetts Institute of



Technology (MIT).

Manjot Pahwa graduated from the department of Computer Engineering in 2012. She is a recipient of Google India Women in Engineering Award and secured an offer with Google clearing 13 rounds of interviews. She will be working for Google in the USA.

A number of other students of the outgoing batch have also raised the bar for the coming batches of NSIT. Amongst the technical companies in the Computer Engineering department (Computer Engineering and Information Technology) 6 students were placed in Microsoft India, 4 students made it to Adobe, 3 students got placed in Amazon and 1 student was placed with Yahoo. Epic Systems visited NSIT for the first time last year and 2 students got offers of Rs. 39,00,000 each! The top recruiters in the non-technical field were big names like Morgan Stanley, Bain and J.P. Morgan Chase who visited our campus last year. Other high paying companies were Texas Instruments, HLS Asia, Engineers India Limited(EIL), and Gas Authority of India Ltd(GAIL) .



Mohit Taneja graduated from NSIT in 2010 and was placed in Adobe during on-campus placements. This year, he was accepted into the Masters of Entertainment

Degree program at Entertainment Technology Center at Carnegie Mellon University (CMU).

Spandan Dutta, who graduated from NSIT in 2011, has made it to the prestigious Brown University.

Sakshi Handa was accepted at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign and Monadhika Sharma secured an admit to Ohio University. Lalit Kumar made it to Yeshiva University in Amsterdam.

These are just some of the names who have made it to top graduate schools this year from NSIT!

A few final year students are already gaining exposure to research at premier institutes. Varun Sridhar, a final year student of Electronics and Communication Engineering, secured a Research Assistantship position at CMU this summer. Tushar Rao was a research fellow at IIIT Delhi for an year and gained valuable experience from his work there.

Google Summer of Code (GSoC) is a prestigious summer internship program organized by Google every year. One 3rd year student and several final year students were selected this year, and worked with open-source organizations over the summer break. Apart from them, Ekanshpreet Singh and Pragya Gupta are following up their success from

previous GSoC programs and are working in this year's summer program as well.

NSITians have also gained admission in prestigious management and economics course. Sakshi Tomar, a student of Electronics and Communications Engineering, will be pursuing her Masters of Economics degree from



THE LONDON SCHOOL
OF ECONOMICS AND
POLITICAL SCIENCE



the London School of Economics. Mansi Aggarwal has made it to the Masters of Management program at London Business School. This year, a number of NSITians made it to the prestigious Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs):



Besides the names mentioned, a number of alumni also made it to several IIMs and to XLRI this year.

The NSITians sure are a talented lot!

Few of our regular recruiters are:



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NSIT's Fests : The Indulgence we love

Akanksha Dewaker

Moksha



Moksha is the annual inter-college cultural festival of NSIT. Organised in the month of March, this three day extravaganza is NSIT's biggest fest. Students from all four batches come forward to organise it. The major events of the fest include Mudra-

the dance show, Rouge-the fashion parade, Avalanche-the rock night and Fahrenite-the star night. Since its beginning in 2003, stars like Kailash Kher, Mohit Chauhan, KK and bands like Jal and Strings



have performed at NSIT during 'Celebrity Night' at Moksha. Apart from these mega events, there are a lot of other events to keep you busy during the day. These include Dramatics, Street Dance, Bhangra competition, English and Hindi vocals, painting competitions, literary events, quizzes, and many more. Moksha attracts many students from other colleges as participants and spectators, especially for the mega events.

The month before Moksha has the students of NSIT working hard to make this fest successful. It infuses a new spirit in the college where in everyone is excited and working. From seeking sponsorships to publicising the fest, the first years and second years actively participate and hold positions of responsibility. With ragging being banned in NSIT, the fests are the best time to know and befriend seniors.

For an account of Moksha 2012, read our sixth edition <http://www.alliance.nsitonline.in/our-editions/>.

Innovision



Innovision is the technical and managerial fest of NSIT, organised in the month of April. Being a technical college, Innovision holds its own importance. The major technical events include Kriti Paper Presentation, Carnage, Black Pearl - the water bot competition, Blood hound, and Robo Wars.



These events pull a large number of participants from other colleges. Case studies, B-Plan competition and Freakonomics are the managerial events of the fest. All these events provide a great opportunity to start

building one's practical knowledge. Under Bio-Vision, all Bio-tech related events are organised. Some events for school kids also take place under the School Bag category. One of the biggest attractions is the Defence Expo, where a large range of armaments used by the Indian Army are



displayed. The Laser show and Fahrenite that take place during the night add to the fest's appeal.

For an account of innovision 2012, read our fifth edition: <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BwS27AeMSsw-TnpxTDFwQVZpRk0/edit#>

FESTS

Rezonanz



Rezonanz is a fest organised exclusively for the first and the second years. This inter-branch fest is organised during the month of October. The various competitions include Natyamanch-the skit competition, Panache-

the fashion parade and Rangmanch-the dance competition. The branches are judged by their ranking in these events. Zephyr-the celebrity night and Nocturmania-the mega jam are also big attractions at the fest. During the day, many other events take place in the college campus. After the fresher's party, it is the second



event that greets freshers. For details of Rezonanz 2011, read our fourth edition : <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BwS27AeMSsw-bGZnX0JGaFdBakE/edit#>

Sports Meet



The Sports Meet is held concurrently with Moksha. It is preceded by a plethora of events spread over a period of two months. The events



include basketball, football, cricket, badminton, table-tennis, and arm-wrestling. The hostellers participate in these events in huge numbers as these are usually organised during evenings. During the sports meet, track and field events such as races, shot put, long jump, javelin throw, and discus throw are organised. For details of Sports meet 2012, read our sixth edition <http://www.alliance.nsitonline.in/events/nsit-sports-meet-12/>.



Dwellings of a wayfaring NSITian

Shrey Bansiwal

Ahoy all ye merry fellas! Get up! Thy campus beckons as it stands with its opulent gates wide open. Take a step inside and get a whiff of the freshness as ye wander. Savor the pious grounds and relish the lush green grass yonder. And then, get ready for a life that ain't no stone road, but a roller coaster. Go skylarking! Have a jolly good ride!

A sprawling campus of 140 acres, lush green gardens, and a picturesque view from the building's terrace, what more could a collegiate ask for? Well, the fervour of college life neither rests within the campus, nor

does it end at the beauty of it. What most students look out for are the best hangouts to spend some time with their friends, some special places that they can call their 'adda'.

So, alliance presents a catalogue of all the places where one can stop by to either celebrate a friend's birthday together, or simply to have a gala time with friends.

Sauntering within the campus

The campus itself houses more 'addas' than you can count. With around six canteens open in the campus, you can always make your lunch times interesting with a visit to the following:

Zayca catering services:

Location: In front of the sports complex
Speciality: Paneer tikka roll, special thali, honey chilli potato.
The biggest and the only full-fledged canteen, it is the abode of many a students. Whether it is lunch time of students or the evening snacks time for hostellers, you can always find youngsters making a buzz here.

IIIT canteen:

Location: The area under the library, facing the parking lot of the IIIT campus.
Speciality: Chocolate shakes and juices, french fries, dosa, Maggi
This canteen was initially started to cater to the students of IIIT Delhi, who shared NSIT's campus space. However, the delicacies could not keep NSITians at bay, and they finally gravitated towards this canteen.

Mic-Mac Canteen:

Location: The right side of the bank/admin
Speciality: Italian sandwich.
Well, this is one canteen that disappointed most students last semester. The management shifted to the IIIT canteen and the menu changed for the worse. However, what Mic Mac lost was gained by 'the-canteen-under-the-library'.

Zayca snacks zone:

Location: To the left of the main building/admin
Speciality: Let me think...ummmmm...
This canteen did not taste any success unlike its bigger counterpart the Zayca Catering Services. In fact, students come here only as a last resort or to just sit idly without ordering anything except juices, cold drinks and packed chips.

Just cafeteria:

Location: In front of the boys' hostels
Speciality: Samosa sandwich, noodles samosa, banta.
This canteen comes across as the only reason for which girls at NSIT envy the boys. With the canteen having an ideal location, the guys can stop by whenever they want, to fill their gurgling stomachs in a jiffy while hurriedly leaving for their morning lectures or coming back from their regular evening sports. The girls however have to span the complete length of the campus to revel in the canteen's delicacies.

Juice-waale bhaiya:

Location: In front of Zayca Snacks Zone.
Speciality: The juicy gossips of the college
Apart from the tempting fruit juices that our college's official juice waala makes, he also promises to deliver all the news from around the campus for free. Try and extract confidential and clandestine information from him.



Central Fountain



Pacific Mall



Laser Tag at Janakpuri West



Gaming at Pacific Mall



Rajouri Garden

Outside campus:

Outside campus, the world is replete with amazing places to have fun. Here are some of them in the chronology of increasing distance:

Within Dwarka:

Though Dwarka is infamous for not having many places for eating, drinking and recreation, it holds the most important places of all- the markets. While the one in sector 4 is primarily a foodie's resort, Sector-6 is more famous for its street market. These markets have regular restaurants like McDonalds, KFC, Pizza Hut, Dominos and Cocoberry. For those looking out for a different ambience can go for Café 6/10 and 'Baithak'.

Gaming:

Janakpuri and Vikaspuri house the best gaming zones in the campus vicinity, the best one being Laser Tag in Janakpuri. Though the fees seems a bit too much, one should try it out. The laser tag game is worth it. Students can also check out the Pacific Mall in Subhash Nagar and Rajouri for a game of paintball, bowling or pool.

Shopping and eating outlets:

Due to its proximity, District Centre has become an all-time favourite hangout zone for NSITians. It is famous for its handicrafts market. It also houses some superb eating zones like M.O.D(Mad Over Doughnuts) and Gelatino. What's more, students can kill their time playing pool as well. Apart from this, the Pacific Mall is also celebrated amongst students for its food court, shops and the cinema hall.

Taking a step further (checking out the rest of 'Dilli')

Students who are more outgoing and who would like to explore the rest of Delhi and NCR should start with CP, Hauz Khas and Kamla Nagar. These are considered as the coolest hangout zones for Delhite youngsters and need no further description.

Amusement parks:

Needless to say that the two wonderful amusement parks, Worlds of Wonder and Adventure Island are a bit too far from the college. However, this has not stopped students from having fun riots there. Other nearby parks are the 'Fun n Food Village' in Gurgaon and the 32nd Milestone on NH-8. The latter is an ideal stop for Go-Karting lovers.

So, all those in the pursuit of a fun-filled verve at college, those who want to whoop it up and paint the town red, let your hair down and step up! Explore the places and revel! Always remember, life at NSIT is no stone road, but a roller coaster!

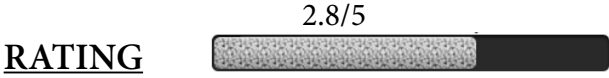
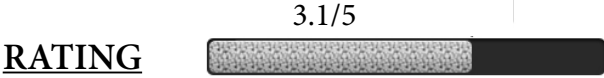
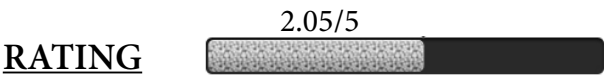
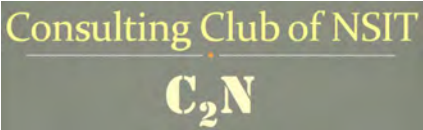
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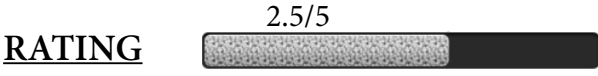
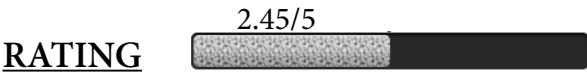
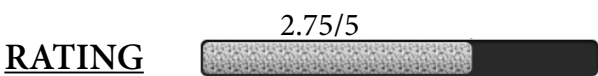
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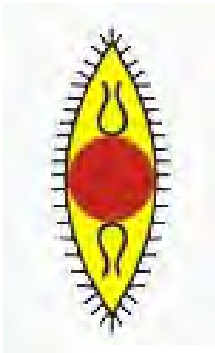
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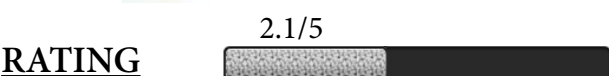
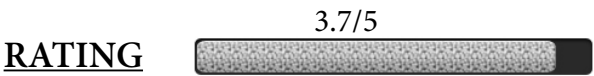
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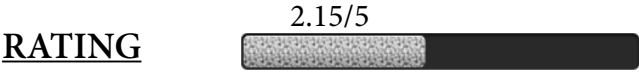
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NSIT Regency



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The
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ALGORITHM

Every society had been contacted via telephone, mail or in-person and a list of all activities/events/meetings in the last year had been compiled. Weightage and categorization were done as follows:-

- 1) Major level events -Inter-College fest/ International winning - 1 point
- 2) Medium level events -Magazine release/National mentions - 1.5 points
- 3) Small events - Workshops/Other miscellaneous - 1.5 points
- 4) Credible mentions - Meetings/ Online Activity/Number of members - 1 point

For the first three categorizations, if X had 'a' events to its tally in a 'w' weighted category, while the highest num-ber was 'b' by a society Y, it was given ((a/b)*w) points, while the society Y got full points. For the

last category, a discrete marking of 0/0.5/1 was done based on the given 3 parameters. The individual points from each category were then added which became X's Active Meter score.

* Alliance follows a certain algorithm for rating the societies . We have published our algorithm and our opinion is solely based on this algorithm

**Several other societies/activities/ groups/ clubs are present in NSIT which can not be rated by the algorithm.

Some of these are—NSITOnline, Reminisce, Crosslinks, CollegeSpace, NSIT Programming group, NSIT Motorsports, etc.

***IEEE NSIT did not participate in the rating process.

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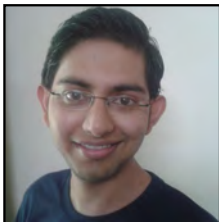
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