



SOA DEAN'S TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR BV DOSHI

"I was fortunate to have known him not only as a great teacher but was humbled to have continued my association with him as a co-tutor. I distinctly remember a discussion with him on one of our travels on how the knowledge of history is important, not just of architecture but also of cultural references like folklore, food, language and music. This was important to him as it allowed him to create spaces reverberating these values. He imbued meaning through philosophical perspectives to the everyday and elevated it to become memorable and worthwhile," says Snehal Nagarsheth, Dean, School of Architecture at Anant National University, about her experience on learning and co-tutoring with Pritzker Laureate BV Doshi. Read the complete article [here](#).

2ND DESIGN REGISTRATION RECEIVED

Alumni and SSIP Grantees Aliasgar Chunawala, Varshin Vala and Gauravi Ghonge (M.Des. IPD Batch 2020-22) received Design Registration (IPR) certificate for their project 'Pain Relief Jacket'. Mentored by Prof. Parth Raval and visiting faculty Puneet Chhikara, the jacket addresses the issues of osteoarthritis back pain patients. The machine-operated wearable jacket works on faster ultrasound technology providing relief from cervical pain.



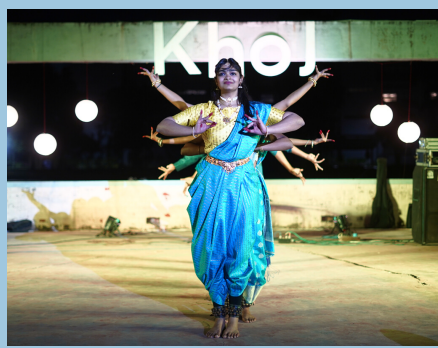
AFCA FELLOWS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP

Anant Fellows for Climate Action Reuben Rambo and Veronica Portugal were the first recipients of the 'Ikigai Scholarship', an initiative of Amer Vohra, Partner in Zurich-based firm ValueWorks and mentor for the fellowship. The Fellows received scholarship worth Rs 85,000, to be utilised towards their tuition fees. Chosen by a panel comprising the scholarship provider, Fellowship Director and a group of selected alumni, they were selected based on their potential impact on climate action and entrepreneurial capabilities.



NEW HOSTEL CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

Members of the board, Provost, senior faculty and staff laid the foundation stone of the new project - Student Housing 2, with a ritual on the varsity campus. The proposed project, designed by Arya Architects, will be an eco-friendly, sustainable building with nearly seven floors and an accommodation capacity of nearly 300 students. These infrastructure developments will support the university's vision of being a top university in India in design, built habitat and sustainability, reputed for its Indian roots and global standing.



KHOJ - A TALENT FIESTA

The AnantU student community organized a fun event Khoj, aiming to unearth the talent within the varsity members. The talent fiesta gave students, faculty members and staff a platform to showcase their talent. The show was replete with a variety of dance performances, soulful vocals, standup comedy, fashion show, poetry recitation, drama and much more. It presented freshers with an opportunity to showcase their uniqueness and interact with their seniors. [See photos](#)



LECTURE: CYBER SECURITY

Amit Vasava, IPS, SP Ahmedabad Rural, administered a lecture themed on women security and cybercrimes. He apprised audience on frauds and phishing scams and equipped them with techniques to recognise and protect self.



HACKATHON'22 GRAND FINALE

AnantU hosted more than 250 students and jury members across Gujarat on campus for the Grand Finale of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Hackathon held on 10th-11th Feb. Eight student teams from AnantU were also selected for the 36-hour contest



THE POETICS OF SPACE

Canadian artist Lindsay Kirker gave a talk on 'The poetics of space' at AnantU. She talked about the philosophy and architecture of space with land and nature, drawing on themes of love, loss, demolition and rebuilding.



WORKSHOP ON TEXTILE UPCYCLING

Tanvi Kant, a UK-based textile artist with a niche in repurposing materials, conducted a fashion accessories-making workshop at AnantU. Circling the theme of Sustainable fashion unused clothes were used to make the jewellery. Students, faculty members and staff got hands-on experience in upcycling textiles to jewellery through techniques like wrapping, coiling, knotting and stitching. The participants also got the opportunity to discuss her work as an artist, exhibits and values that led her to sustainability.



DR BENNY KURIAKOSE DELIVERS TALK

Anant Fellowship hosted award-winning architect Dr Benny Kuriakose for a module on Sustainable Architecture Design. He also conducted an interactive session on Indigeneity in the Built Environment, where he discussed the importance of understanding the resources within a space before developing a design or concept. He motivated aspiring architects, designers, and Anant Fellows to dig deeper into a problem and find answers from the environment. He urged attendees to ask more questions and develop contextual and empathetic solutions.

"Modules such as fashion narratives look at sustainability and our approach towards the environment. They help students understand the effects of the fashion industry on the environment, think, address and resolve problems through solution finding, an important aspect of the today's pedagogy."

Alyen Foning

Artist, Designer and Researcher

FACULTY SPEAK

