

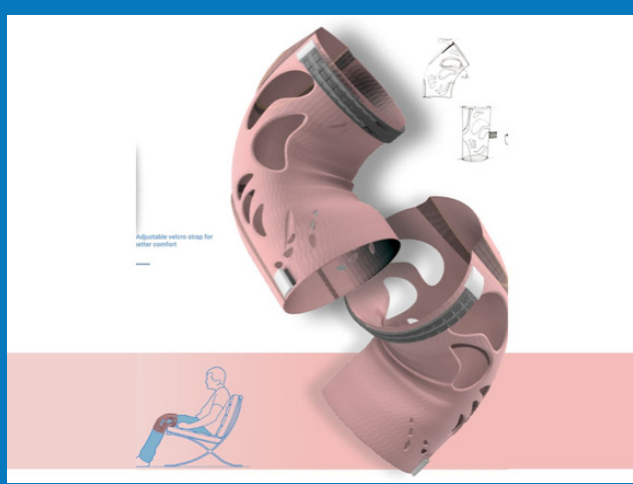


FACULTY STRENGTHENS RESEARCH CULTURE AT ANANTU

AnantU faculty members were recently selected to present their research works at various international and national conferences across domains, including the built environment, design, innovations, sustainability and entrepreneurship. Faculty members, including Archana Baghel, Shreya Parikh, Darpil Shah, Dhaval Raval, Snehal Nagarsheth and Aditi Vashist, will present their research at international conferences in Istanbul and Finland. Prof. Vidhu Bansal and Dr Subhalaxmi Mohapatra also presented their research recently at IIT Kharagpur and the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, respectively. To strengthen the research culture, AnantU has set up the School of Creative Practices and Entrepreneurship (SCoPE), which has recently initiated the Anushodh Research Series. Under this initiative, faculty members share their research presented at various conferences, thereby creating a robust research ecosystem. [Read more](#)

3RD DESIGN REGISTRATION RECEIVED

B.Des. alumni and SSIP grantees Srishti Verma, Charmi Gajjar, Nirmal Malviya, Saloni Shah and Smith Makwana (Batch 2018-22) received Design Registration (IPR) certificate for their project 'Sano Genu -Kneecap for the elderly'. Mentored by Prof. Bhaskar Bhatt and Prof. Parth Raval, the healthcare product comes with in-built acupuncture points and uses magnets and a velcro strap for added customisation and comfort. The idea is to relieve knee joint pain by stimulating specific pressure points, thereby improving the blood flow.



COMMON STUDIOS: MONSOON SEM 2023

Design students, as part of their common studios, learnt to create e-textile products, modern renditions of traditional toys, photo montage books, soundscapes and educational tools, among others. Besides, they learnt how the legacy of products evolves in the future and explored the tradition and contextualising value with intervention of new media. Themed 'The Future of the Past', the common studios explored the challenges of the present and the innovative, holistic solutions that are adaptable to changing times. The studios visited the knowledge systems of India, which have a long history of sustainability, resilience, and adaptability.



RBI SERVICES BOARD CHAIRMAN AT ANANTU

Dr Amitabh Rajan, Chairman of the Reserve Bank of India Services Board, marked how ethical engagement can lead to a creation of a better and more conscious society during his talk on Ethics of Engagement at varsity campus. Organised by the Anant Fellowship programme team, the talk touched upon how various government and private organisations employ ethics in conducting business; conceptualised the role of ethics, morality and law across sectors; discussed the evolution and multi-dimensional nature of ethics and how different philosophers have defined his approach to ethics. [Read more](#)



B.DES. STUDENTS AT LAKME FASHION WEEK

Sustainable Fashion and Textile Design students Ananya Sharma and Aayushi Choksi experienced their first fashion show at the Lakme Fashion Week. The students were a part of IRO IRO's atelier team for the fashion week. The industry exposure was an extension of their course on dress and textile: mending and repairing. The students learnt about backstage operations, including logistics, fittings, styling, brand's social media management and other management-related activities.



DEBATE CONTEST ON AI

Centre for Public Policy organised debate competition and panel discussion to initiate a conversation among students about AI's role and its effect on human lives and ways to leverage it to create a better and sustainable future.



NEW COLLABORATION

AnantU collaborated with ENSA Mauritius to foster academic excellence. As an extension of the collaboration Prof. Dharam Bunjun, President of the Mauritius Association of Architects, visited AnantU for a lecture and served as a juror for B.Arch. students.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Four students from Anant School of Climate Action will attend the study programme at The Villars Institute, Switzerland. They will study about carbon emissions economy and develop ecofriendly solutions.



ANANT FELLOW AT UNWC, NEW YORK

Anant Fellow Athiphan Anbumani presented design interventions conceived at United Nations Water Conference Official side event titled Condensations: Designing in Water, organised by Pratt Institute in New York. The event was an extension of international collaborative module, which ran independently with six universities globally and culminated in a 2-day workshop in NYC. At the workshop, Athiphan presented the recurring water problems of MehraGaon village in MP and learnt to address water-related issues by connecting communities, science and innovation through design.



COLLABORATION WITH EARTHDAY.ORG

Anant School for Climate Action collaborated with Earthday.org to celebrate Earth Day (22 April), themed on 'Invest on our Planet'. The students, faculty and staff of AnantU organised a citizen awareness quiz at the Riverfront, where they held group discussions with the citizens walking and cycling in the area. The collaboration of Anant School for Climate Action with Earthday.org, the global organizer of Earth Day, is instrumental in promoting the students of AnantU as Earth ambassadors - youth representatives who will drive the force towards stronger climate action. [Read more](#)

Innovation is a way of life that not only propels economic growth but also promotes 'inclusive and disruptive growth', thereby providing equal accessibility despite economic inequality. While design thinking is the core element of an efficient innovation process, IPR provide a framework to potentially transform this knowledge into valuable and tradable assets.

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FACULTY SPEAK

