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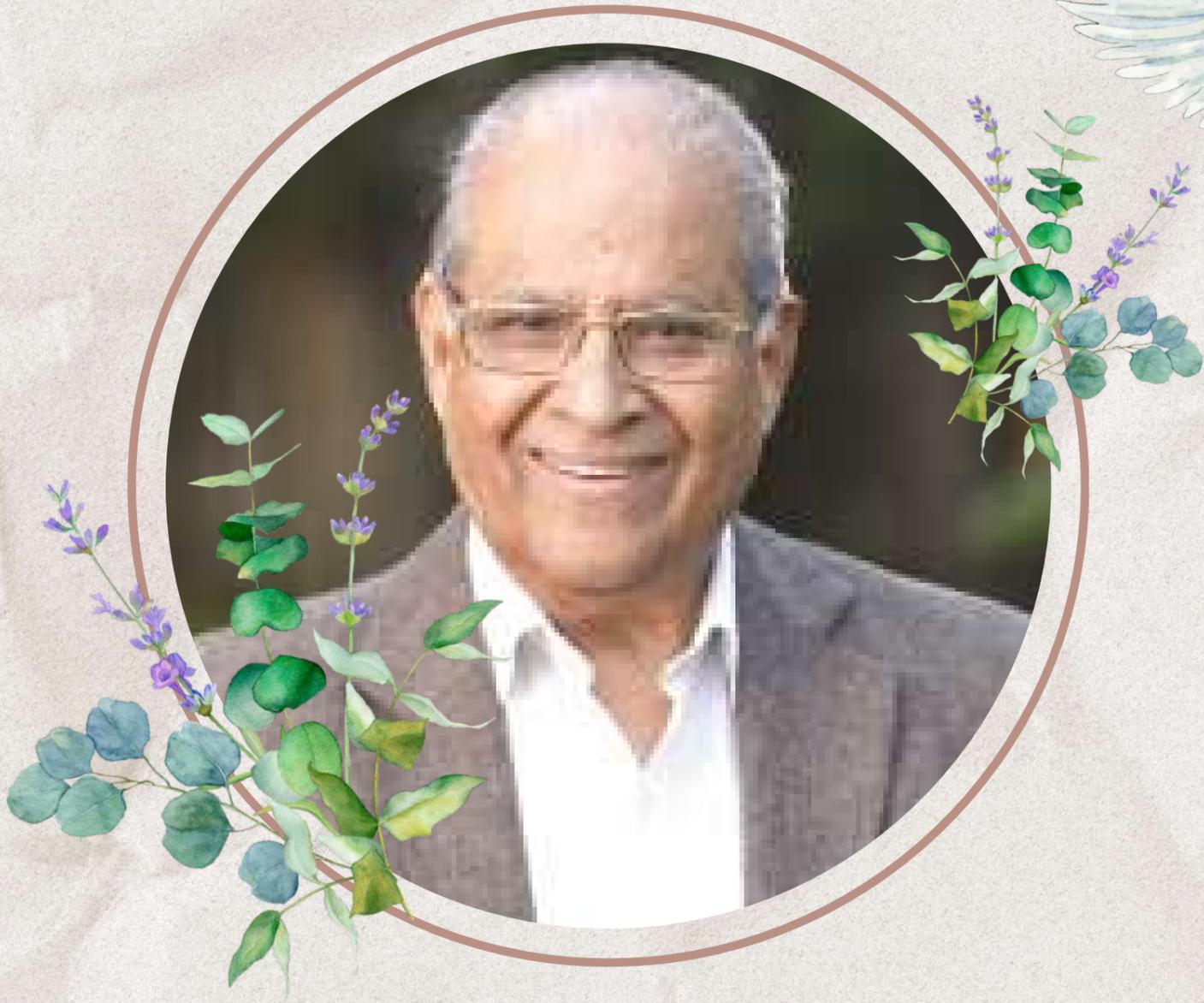


## **A Tribute to Chevalier Prof. J. Philip**

**“A lighthouse of dreams  
that guided countless minds,  
Voice of wisdom, calm and kind,  
Yet forever echoes in the mind.  
In the halls of learning, tall and wide  
His vision walks, and values thrive.  
A firm and gentle leader,  
in every lesson, word, and deed,  
You planted endless seeds.  
Though time has drawn a quiet line,  
Your legacy will continue,  
to be the guiding light.”**



**“Forever in our hearts.”**



*Chevalier Prof. J. Philip*

**May 1936 - February 2026**

**“Your wisdom remains  
our guiding compass.”**



## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

It is a stand-out world and we all try to stand out in our own ways. This is true whether you are trying to excel academically, get an entry into a prestigious institution, land your ideal job, or even find a life mate. That's why it is crucial to establish a distinct, genuine, and consistent identity for oneself: what we call a "personal brand." Jeffrey Harmon, an entrepreneur, has a unique take on branding – "Attention is a scarce resource. Branding is the experience marketers create to win that attention".

In this context, what is the relevance of personal branding? Each of us have a unique personality, competence, skillsets and past experiences. Further, we also have unique ways of responding to diverse stimuli and contexts. It's possible to cultivate and nurture this uniqueness to establish yourself as a brand.

By adjusting several "levers of distinction", we may set ourselves differently from the crowd. Let us take a look at "packaging", one of the major differentiating factors. Do you know that people can tell a lot about you, just by looking at you? This includes how you dress, how you look after yourself, and how you carry yourself. Your encounters with others in your social circles, in the classroom, and in the larger world (including possible employers) all contribute to the impression you radiate to the world. It is interesting to learn how your decisions, taken consciously or otherwise, will affect the reputation you've worked so hard to cultivate over the years. Even little actions have a compounding effect, increasing or decreasing your equity relative to the earlier position.

As a result, it becomes pertinent that you begin developing the most crucial brand you will ever get to oversee: your own. The starting point could be an honest introspection of what your likes are, what interests you, what motivates you, and so on. Reach out to your friends, parents, faculty, and other well-wishers for input. Understand your strengths and see how it could be leveraged to create your unique self that will become your identifier – your unique value proposition (USP). Once you've nailed down your USPs, it's time to find ways to hone them and start broadcasting them to the world, all in an effort to carve out a distinct niche in the minds of your network over time. Your "personal brand" is the sum total of your online profiles, in-person communications with peers, and professional achievements.

At XIME, we hope to help students discover themselves and create their own unique brand during their journey here. Immersing oneself in an environment that has students from over 24 states, that too in a fully residential campus provides ample scope to diligently work on each of those traits that add up in building your personal brand. Working in clubs, taking up leadership positions, participating in events, being a mentor to your peer groups, exchanging thoughts, involving in meaningful debates in class and outside, all these provide opportunities to hone your personal brand.

I believe that 'Echoes of XIME' is a standout initiative by our students. It creates a vital platform to share our story with a wider audience and serves as a torch bearer for the XIME brand.

My best wishes to the contributors of this endeavour and I hope that every student here discovers their best version of themselves at XIME!



**Prof. Alok Krishna Pillai**  
Director, XIME Kochi

Inspira Club, XIME Kochi, organized a series of intellectually enriching sessions under its Distinguished Speaker Series, featuring eminent international academicians and industry experts. The sessions aimed to provide students with global exposure, industry insights, and interdisciplinary knowledge to enhance their academic and professional development.

### Guest Talk on Risk Management – Dr. Ashkan Zarghami

The series featured Dr. Ashkan Zarghami, Associate Professor of Operations Management at the Research School of Management, Australian National University. He holds a PhD from the University of Adelaide and specializes in operations management, project management, systems thinking, and sustainability.

Dr. Zarghami’s research employs both qualitative and quantitative methodologies with a focus on mathematical modeling. His work has been published in leading international journals such as Decision Support Systems, Journal of Business Ethics, Industrial Marketing Management, Reliability Engineering and System Safety, and IEEE Transactions on Engineering Management, among others. During his session on “Risk Management,” he explained the importance of identifying, analyzing, and mitigating risks in modern organizational decision-making. He emphasized systems thinking, sustainability, and innovative approaches for managing uncertainty in business environments.



**Guest Lecture by Prof. Mohamed Amer Meziane and Mr. Amarnath Sankar**

# XAAK UNVEILS THE BANNER FOR MILAN'26

The campus came alive on 9th March, 2026 as XAAK, the Alumni Committee of XIME Kochi, unveiled the official banner for Milan'26, marking the beginning of the institution's most anticipated alumni gatherings which is scheduled on March 14th, 2026.

The event took place at the Central Lawn, bringing together students, committee members, and faculty in a moment of collective enthusiasm.

Milan has always been a special occasion for the college. It brings together alumni from different batches, allowing them to revisit familiar spaces, reconnect with peers and faculty, and relive memories that continue to shape their professional and personal journeys. It has become a meaningful platform for strengthening the bond between the institute and its alumni.



With the banner now proudly displayed on campus, the countdown to Milan'26 has officially begun & it promises to be an evening of conversations, nostalgia, and renewed connections, bringing alumni back to the place where their journeys first began.

# MILAN'26

Alumni Meet

Where the Legacy First Began.

A TRIBUTE TO THE ORIGINAL BATCH

14 March | 9:00 AM onwards | XIME Kochi Campus



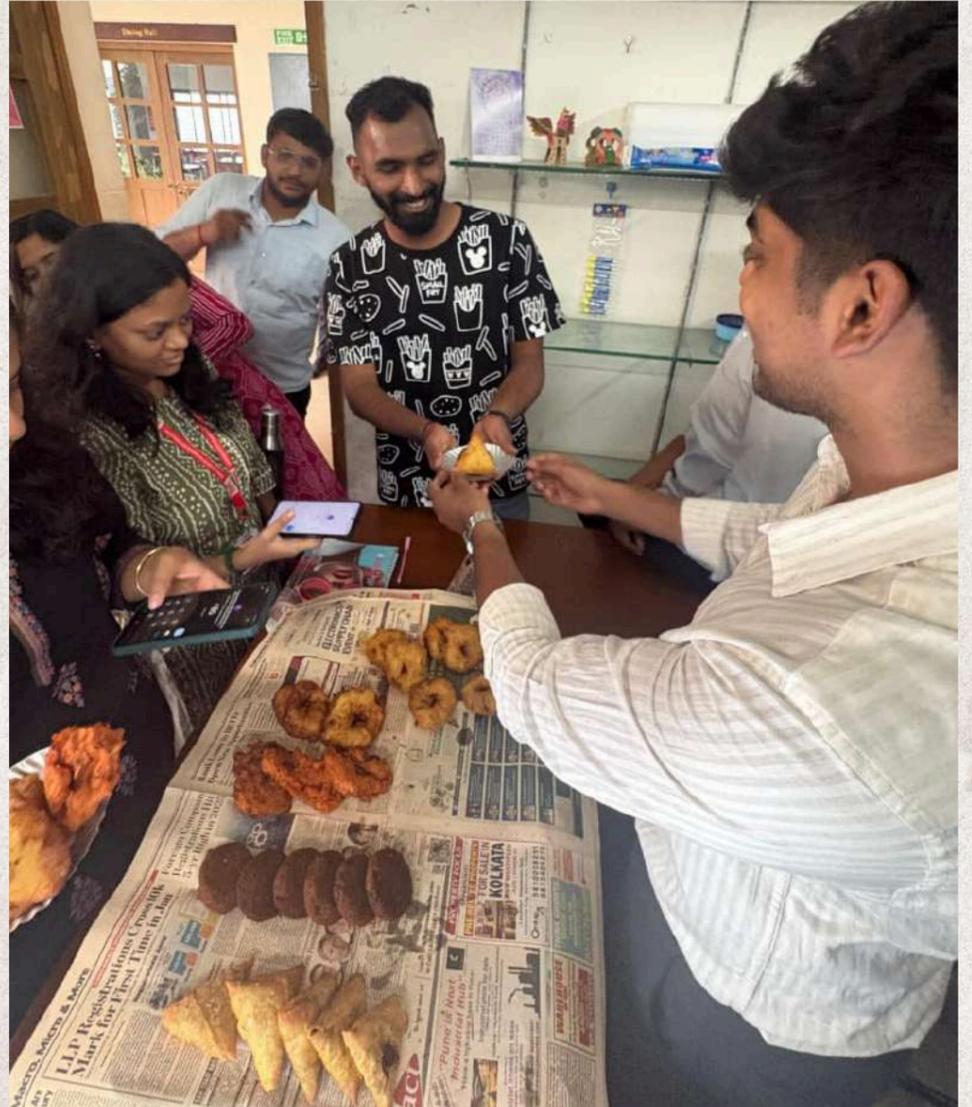
Honouring Batch 1

The Pioneers of XIME Kochi.

## Evening Snack Service at the Tuckshop

Empresario Club of XIME Kochi introduced an evening snack service at the campus tuckshop as a pilot initiative during February. The service operated twice a week, offering students quick and affordable snack options during evening hours.

The initiative aimed to provide a convenient alternative to vending machines while also giving club members hands-on experience in managing a small-scale business operation. Members were actively involved in planning the menu, pricing the products, coordinating procurement, and managing on-ground sales. Through promotional activities such as posters and social media announcements, the club successfully increased awareness and student participation. The initiative also helped students understand key aspects of entrepreneurship including customer engagement, pricing strategy, and operational management.



## Valentine's Day Celebration at the Tuckshop

On 14th February 2026, Empresario Club organized a lively Valentine's Day activity at the campus tuckshop, creating a fun and interactive ambience for students.

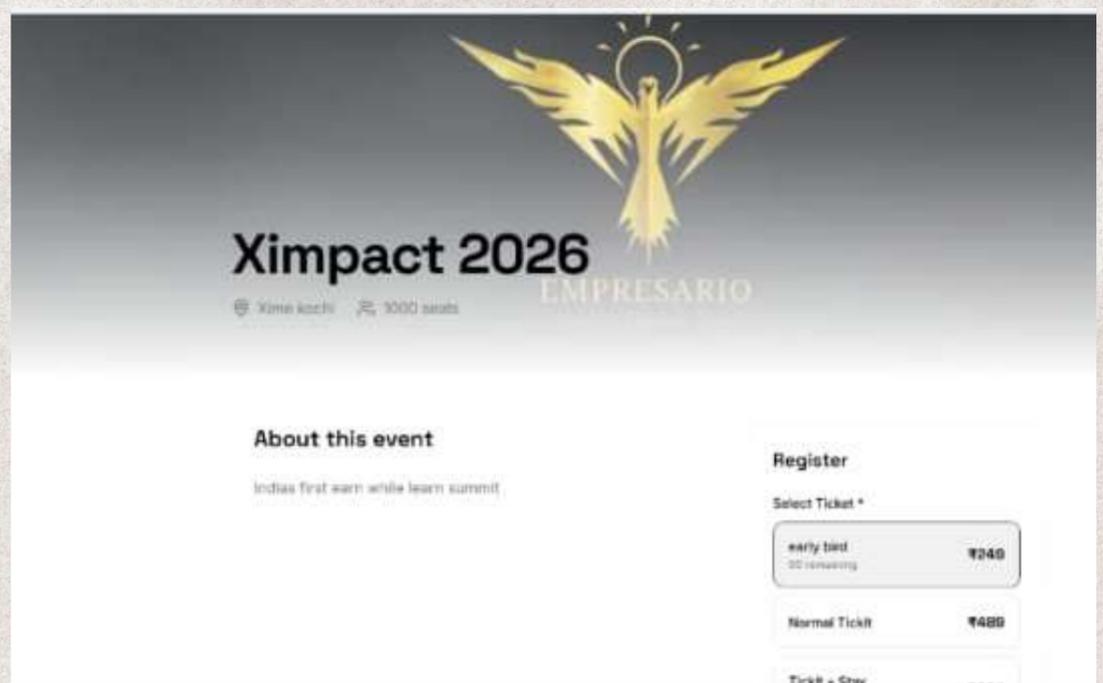
The event featured engaging activities such as "Guess the Song" and "Spin & Win," along with special snack combos offered at discounted prices. A "Share a Note" board allowed students to write messages and spread positivity across campus.

The celebration witnessed enthusiastic participation from students and successfully boosted footfall at the tuckshop. More importantly, the event provided the club with valuable insights into customer preferences and promotional strategies, reinforcing the spirit of entrepreneurship and community engagement at XIME Kochi.

## X-EVENTRIX

Empresario Club of XIME Kochi launched Eventrix, a pilot-phase event management dashboard that streamlines campus event planning. It integrates registrations, team formation, QR payments, digital certificates, and participant management with role-based access for seamless collaboration.

By digitizing operations, Eventrix reduces manual work, boosts transparency, and facilitates scaling up for large events. Initially for XIME Kochi, it will expand commercially to other institutions, fostering student innovation in event technology.



## WINTER FEST 2025 - WHEN FINANCE TURNED INTO A BATTLEFIELD : FINMAZE AT XIME KOCHI

This November, Winter Fest 2025 wasn't just another college celebration—it was a test of nerves, numbers, and next-level strategy. The Finance Club of XIME Kochi brought classrooms to life with "FinMaze – The Finance Escape Room", a high-intensity competition that blended thrill with real-world financial thinking.

### Round 1: Numbers Knockout – Where Panic Met Precision

Imagine walking into a room layered with suspense, cryptic clues, balance sheets staring back at you, and riddles that refused to be solved easily. That was FinMaze's first round.

Five teams entered. Only three survived.

Participants decoded financial puzzles, interpreted balance sheet mysteries, and cracked financial ratios—all against the ticking clock. It wasn't just about knowing finance; it was about staying calm when numbers started playing mind games. Two teams were eliminated, and the remaining three advanced to the final battlefield

### The Escape Room That Felt Real

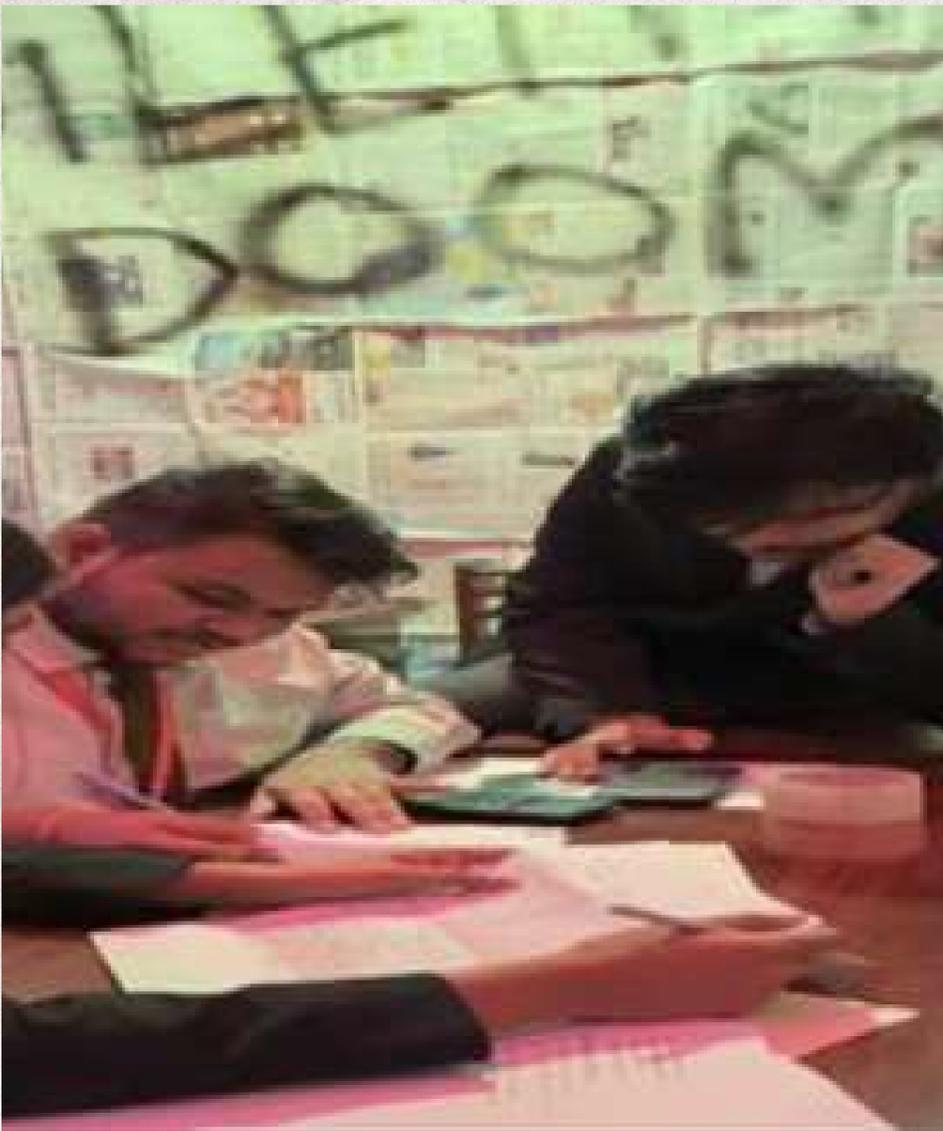
What truly elevated the experience was the décor. The room was transformed into a suspense-filled financial crime scene—walls layered with newspapers, cryptic graffiti screaming "DEAD END" and "NO ONE LEAVES," red paint splashes adding intensity, and long strips of coded clues hanging from pillars. The dim lighting cast dramatic shadows, making every balance sheet look like classified evidence and every riddle feel like a hidden breakthrough. It wasn't just a competition space—it felt like stepping into a thriller where finance was the only way out.

### Round 2: Portfolio Optimization – Strategy Over Speed

If Round 1 tested reflexes, Round 2 tested intelligence.

The finalists were handed a real-life financial case and challenged to design an optimal investment portfolio. Excel sheets were opened. Assumptions were debated. Risks were weighed. Returns were projected.

But this wasn't just number crunching—it was about defending decisions. Each team presented their portfolio strategy, showcasing analytical depth, investment logic, and presentation finesse. The most strategically sound and convincingly presented portfolio claimed victory.





# HRuday (THE HR CLUB)

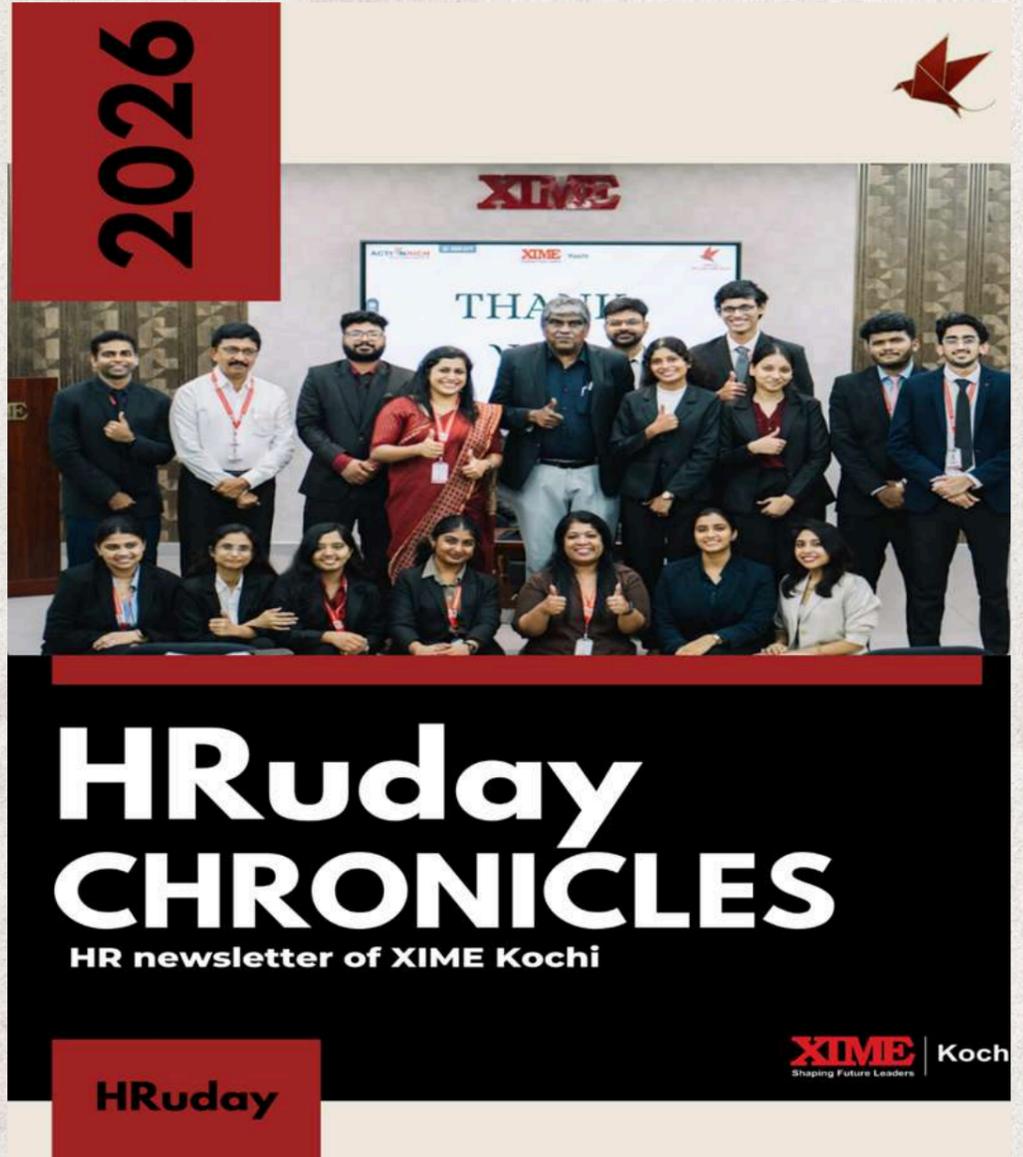


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HRuday is not just a club, it is the heart of our college and a reflection of the spirit of Human Resources at XIME Kochi. Throughout the year, the members of HRuday, who are not merely members but a close-knit family demonstrating that HR is far more than just a functional role. It is about shaping perspectives, building people-centric cultures, and redefining how individuals perceive the role of Human Resources in organizations.

With this vision in mind, the club successfully brought to life HRuday Chronicles 2026, a year-long initiative that captures the essence of our journey. The Chronicle reflects the events, discussions, and initiatives conducted throughout the year, including sessions such as Ace Your SIP, Career Reality Check, and LinkedIn Etiquette 101, along with competitions, panel discussions, and the HR Conclave 2025 – “The Evolving Edge: HR, Gen Z & the AI Era.” These initiatives created platforms for students to engage in real-world HR challenges and learn beyond the classroom.



The Chronicle also features valuable insights from alumni and industry professionals, along with thoughtful articles contributed by members of the HRuday club. These student perspectives explore important themes such as the role of AI in HR, generational shifts in the workforce, and the growing importance of empathy and strategic thinking in people management. Together, these contributions reflect the curiosity and engagement of HRuday members as they examine the evolving world of work. They also highlight an important truth that while technology continues to transform workplaces, the human

element continues to remain at the core of every organization.

More than just a newsletter, HRuday Chronicles stands as a reflection of our collective learning, collaboration, and curiosity. It represents the passion of students who are preparing to become future HR leaders and showcases how the HRuday community continues to nurture meaningful conversations around people, culture, and leadership.

At its core, HRuday reminds us of a simple yet powerful idea—HR is not just about managing people; it is about understanding them, empowering them, and creating workplaces where both individuals and organizations can grow together.



## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

MadX organized a vibrant Christmas celebration, transforming the campus into a festive and cheerful space with beautiful decorations and lively music. Students, along with the Chairman and faculty, gathered in their festive best, making it a special shared campus moment. The carols, the ebullient entry of Santa Claus and cake distribution ensured high enthusiasm throughout, ending the evening with joy, unity, and warm memories.



## VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION

On Valentine's Day, MadX organized a lively celebration featuring a "Secret Confession" activity where students anonymously shared messages that were delivered by the team. Fun interactive games kept the energy high, with couples and friends participating enthusiastically. Dressed in coordinated outfits, students added charm to the warm and vibrant campus atmosphere, making the day memorable for all.





# MadX

(THE CULTURAL CLUB)



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## RANGOTSAV'26

On 27th February, MadX celebrated Rangotsav 2026 at the Boys' Hostel Badminton Court, turning the campus into a vibrant celebration zone. With music, colours, and energetic dance circles, students enjoyed a lively and carefree atmosphere. Despite the heat and chaos, the smooth coordination made the event a memorable and unforgettable experience filled with colour and joy.





## Operational Excellence through Lean Manufacturing Management Development Program September 26, 2025



**“Efficiency is doing things right; effectiveness is doing the right things.”**

Reflecting this philosophy, XOps Club of XIME Kochi organized a one-day Management Development Program (MDP) on Operational Excellence through Lean Manufacturing on September 26, 2025. The workshop served as a meaningful bridge between academic learning and industrial practice, offering participants a comprehensive understanding of Lean principles and their real-world application. The event was coordinated by Dr. Joshin John, whose leadership ensured a well-structured and insightful program.

The Lean Manufacturing workshop at XIME Kochi opened with inaugural addresses from Director Prof. Alok Krishna, Dean Dr. Ranjana Varghese, and Chairman Prof. C. P. Ravindranathan, stressing adaptability and innovation. Dr. Joshin John's keynote covered Lean principles, waste reduction, and operational excellence.

A panel with industry experts (Mr. Jobi John, Mr. John Eappen, Mr. Sajil Peethambaran, Mr. Faris Ibrahim) shared implementation insights. Technical sessions delved into Value Stream Mapping, Just-in-Time, Kaizen, and waste elimination, with Dr. Ranjit B. Nair discussing AI, analytics, and automation integration.

The breakthrough session in the afternoon featured collaborative case studies. The event ended with XIME Kochi signing an engagement agreement with the Idukki Cluster to advance Lean initiatives, blending theory, practice, and industry collaboration.

## From Idea to Impact: The XSEED Revolution

At XSEED, we often speak about leadership, sustainability, and impact. But last year, we witnessed these values come alive through the journey of our President, Meghna Vinod.

During her SUPA engagement, she worked on a project focused on empowering women through skill development and entrepreneurship. What she encountered was not just a training program—it was transformation unfolding in real time. Women who had once doubted their abilities were learning to create eco-friendly products such as embroidered craft items, cloth bags, and paper seed pens. With every product they crafted, their confidence grew. Among all these creations, one simple yet meaningful product captured her attention—the seed pen.



Made from paper and embedded with seeds, the pen can be planted after use instead of being discarded. It was not just an eco-friendly alternative to plastic pens; it symbolized growth, renewal, and possibility. For Meghna, the pen represented something deeper—the power of small ideas to create lasting change.

She brought this idea back to XSEED with a vision. Under her leadership, the club introduced the Growing Pen within our campus community. The initiative was not just about a product; it was about sharing a meaningful concept of sustainability and empowerment. By bringing this idea to students, the club aimed to spread awareness about environmentally responsible choices and the impact of supporting women-led initiatives.

Today, the XSEED Growing Pen stands as a symbol of sustainability within XIME. More than just a pen, it represents a simple idea that encourages mindful living and reminds us that small actions can lead to meaningful change.

The XSEED Growing Pen stands as a testament to her belief that leadership is not about holding a position—it is about planting seeds of change and nurturing them until they grow.

And sometimes, all it takes to begin that change is a pen.

## XAVIER SUPER LEAGUE (XSL) 2026

XIME Kochi campus is all set to witness one of its most electrifying sporting events of the year – the Xavier Super League (XSL) 2026. Organized by the dynamic X-Prowess in collaboration with MarkXime Club, XSL is a multi-sport inter-student league designed to celebrate sportsmanship, leadership, and teamwork among students.



### Auction-Based Team Selection – A Professional Touch

One of the most exciting highlights of XSL is the player auction system for major outdoor sports such as Football, Cricket, and Basketball. Similar to professional leagues, players will be selected through an auction process, where team owners bid strategically to build strong squads.

### Beyond Sports – Building Leaders

Xavier Super League is not just about winning matches; it is about creating a culture of unity and healthy competition. The league encourages team spirit, strategic decision-making, leadership development, stress relief through sports, and stronger bonding across batches.

Through XSL, the X-Prowess Club continues its commitment to fostering holistic development beyond academics, giving students a platform to showcase their athletic talents and managerial skills.



## X-PRESSION ARENA

On December 5, 2025, XIME Kochi's X-ORATION Club hosted X-PRESSION ARENA at J.A Hall—a high-energy public speaking competition for 12 teams of five, testing spontaneity, articulation, and persuasion.

It kicked off with the Word Formation Challenge using "ENTREPRENEURSHIP" to create maximum meaningful words quickly.

The One-Minute Extempore round followed, with chit-drawn topics like Discipline, Innovation, Sustainability, Freedom, and Entrepreneurship—speakers avoided repeating content words under time pressure.

Top two teams debated: "Is entrepreneurship better than a corporate job?" delivering dynamic arguments, rebuttals, and insights.

The event celebrated fearless expression, showcasing the club's dedication to nurturing articulate leaders.



## The Buddy System Initiative

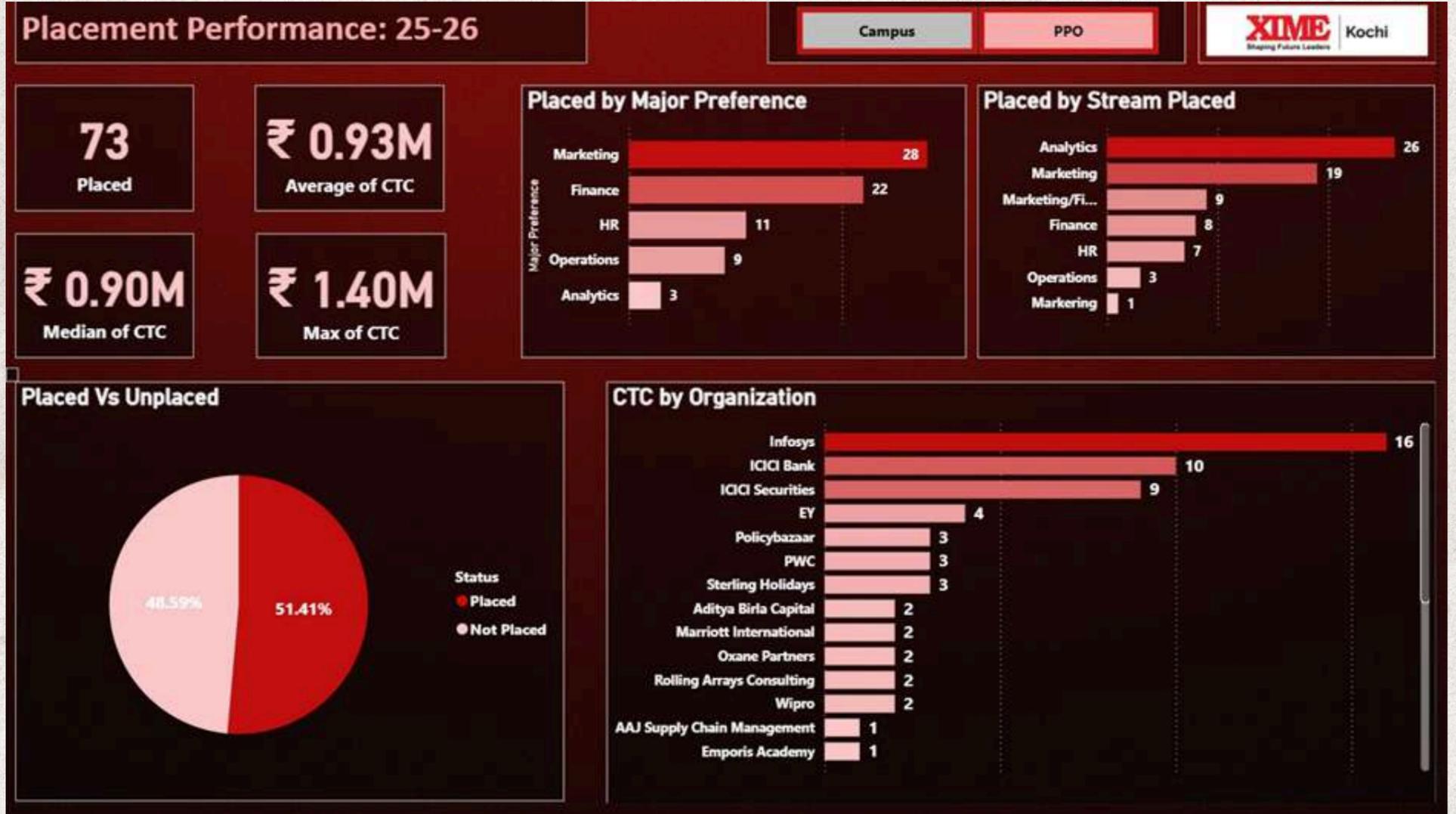
### "Building Bridges Across Batches"

In an effort to strengthen peer learning and foster meaningful connections within the XIME community, a structured Buddy System has been introduced, an initiative developed by Harshdeep Singh (Batch 12), student.

The Buddy System is designed to create a supportive academic environment where a senior student is paired with a junior as a "buddy." The objective is simple yet powerful: to provide guidance, mentorship, and consistent support during the junior's transition into the academic and cultural ecosystem of XIME.

Under this initiative, each senior buddy plays an active role in:

- Offering academic guidance and subject clarity
- Sharing insights on coursework, presentations, and examinations
- Providing tips on time management and effective study strategies
- Assisting with participation in clubs, committees, and campus activities
- Supporting juniors in adapting to the expectations of management education



## XIME Kochi Placements 2025–26: We're Just Getting Warmed Up

The energy on campus is electric, the buzz is real, and the numbers are already turning heads. XIME Kochi's placement season 2025–26 has roared to life with a significant milestone already in the bag — over 50% of the batch has been successfully placed, with 73 students already holding their offer letters. Recording an average package of ₹9.3 LPA and a median of ₹9 LPA, with the highest offer proudly sitting at ₹14 LPA, the season has set a confident and commanding tone right from the outset. Some of India's finest companies — ICICI Bank, EY, Wipro, Oxane Partners, Tata Play, and Kapital Data — have already staked their claim on XIME talent, and the queue is only getting longer. This is not just a good start, this is a statement.

What makes it even more thrilling is that this is only the beginning. Crossing the 50% mark this early in the season is not merely a number — it is a reflection of the quality, preparation, and drive that defines the Class of 2026. Across specialisations, they are showing up and showing out — 28 placements in Marketing, 22 in Finance, and strong performances across HR, Operations, and Analytics. Students are stepping into the corporate world as Relationship Managers, Senior Analysts, Associate Consultants, and Global Procurement specialists — roles that demand the best, filled by those who gave nothing less.

The hard work, the sleepless nights, the preparation that never stopped — it is all paying off, offer by offer, dream by dream. The season is alive, the momentum is unstoppable, and the stage is set for something truly remarkable. XIME Kochi's Class of 2026 isn't just entering the corporate world — they are arriving. And as the process unfolds, one thing remains certain: the biggest moments are still very much on their way.

## PLACEMENT TEAM - XIME KOCHI, BATCH 12



## **The Impact of War on Business Around the World**

**Geopolitical conflicts in the Middle East, especially involving Iran, Israel, and the US, disrupt global business due to the region's oil reserves and trade routes. This essay examines effects on the oil industry, supply chains, economies, and sectors.**

### **Oil Markets: Immediate Shock**

**The Strait of Hormuz handles 20% of global oil (18–20 million barrels daily). Iranian disruption could spike prices to \$100–\$150/barrel, fueling inflation via higher manufacturing, transport, and consumer costs. Historical oil shocks show slowed growth; recent events have already hiked gasoline prices.**

### **Global Supply Chains Disrupted**

**War risks Persian Gulf shipping, raising costs, delays, and insurance. This could lead to:**

- **Raw material shortages.**
- **Longer routes for Asia–Europe–Africa trade.**
- **Manufacturing (autos, electronics, pharma) facing delayed cycles, higher raw material costs, and reduced profits. Air cargo will also suffer from restricted airspace.**

### **Regional Economic Impacts**

**Energy importers like India (80%+ Middle East oil), China, Japan face fuel hikes, inflation, currency devaluation. Europe, post–Russia–Ukraine, risks energy insecurity; US sees broader industrial strain. Agriculture will be hit via fertilizer costs.**

### **Financial Markets and Confidence**

**Tensions drive safe–haven buys (gold, bonds), stock drops in energy–sensitive sectors, but boosts for energy/defense. Businesses delay investments.**

### **Long–Term Changes**

**Prolonged war accelerates:**

- **Renewables investment.**
- **Domestic production/diversification.**
- **Supply chains shift to nearshoring, friend–shoring, inventory buffers.**

### **Sector–Specific Impacts**

- **Aviation: Fuel costs dominate expenses.**
- **Shipping/Logistics: Higher fuel/insurance.**
- **Manufacturing: Energy/raw material hikes.**
- **Agriculture: Fertilizer/fuel rises lift food prices.**
- **Tech/Electronics: Shipment delays.**



**HARSHDEEP SINGH**  
**BATCH 12**

## **Helloooo!!! XIME, Kochi**

If my name, Vaishakh Nair, ever showed up somewhere, it was usually because I had done something questionable. Seeing it here in Echoes of XIME for something positive feels like a welcome upgrade. Soooo let's start!!

Sometimes life places you somewhere you never planned to be, and before you know it, that place quietly becomes a part of you. Kochi turned out to be that place for me. Coming from Mumbai—a city that runs on speed and constant movement—arriving here felt like stepping into a completely different rhythm. The pace was slower, the surroundings calmer, and everything seemed unfamiliar at first. It took some time to adjust, but somewhere along the way that unfamiliarity slowly turned into comfort. What made the difference were the people. The friendships that began as simple conversations gradually became the most meaningful part of this journey. Every person I met brought a different story, a different perspective, and a different way of looking at things. Being around people older than me, younger than me, and from so many different backgrounds made this experience richer than I ever expected. Over these two years, I also saw myself change. I came here as someone quiet and reserved, unsure of how things would unfold. But the experiences here pushed me to open up, to connect with people, and to grow into someone more confident and comfortable in my own space.

Batch 13, my juniors, became an important part of this chapter. Many of them never really felt like juniors—they were simply people sharing the same journey. Along with them, the support from the faculty, the admin team, the staff, and the familiar faces around campus created a warmth that made this place feel welcoming every single day.

At some point I realized something simple but true: memories are not created by places alone, but by the people who are part of those moments. There's a Malayalam saying that fits well here: "ഭൂമി ഉരുണ്ടല്ലേ... എവിടെയെങ്കിലും വെച്ചുകാണാം." The earth is round...so chances are we'll run into each other again, somewhere, somehow.

Looking back now, I feel grateful—for the experiences, for the friendships, and for everyone who made this journey meaningful.

And with that, this is Vaishakh Nair, Batch 12, signing off. Thank you, XIME Kochi, for being a place I will always be grateful for.



**VAISHAKH NAIR**  
**BATCH 12**

**Whenever I think to write for Echoes of XIME, I get rattled as to what new I can possibly bring. But then it strikes me that perhaps the newness is the very experience of being here. At XIME, I have the opportunity of sharing spaces, conversations, and ideas with students from 24 different states. Each one brings a different voice, a different opinion, and a different way of seeing the world. Together, these voices form what I like to think of as the true Echoes of XIME.**

**For me, XIME is more than just an institution; it is like a gentle breeze that gave me a voice of my own. It is the place where I learned to face my battles – my inhibitions, my insecurities, and the doubts that once held me back. Every day here is, in some way, a fight with yourself. One thing that I am learning is that there shall will always be countless noises around you – expectations, comparisons, fears, and distractions. But learning how to rise above them, how not to succumb to them, is something that lies in our own hands.**

**XIME teaches us that growth is not just about academic learning, it is also about discovering who we are and who we want to become. It is about learning to listen to the many echoes around us while also finding the courage to create an echo of our own.**

**And as we write these reflections today, it reminds us of something important and that we still have one more year here. One more year to grow, to challenge ourselves, to support each other, and to create memories that will stay with us long after we leave these halls. Let this year be the one where we make our voices stronger, our journeys more meaningful, and our echoes louder. Because in the end, XIME is not just a place we study, it is a place that helps us find ourselves. And that, perhaps, is the most powerful echo of all.**



**PRIYADARSHINI DAS**  
**BATCH 13**

**Within these vibrant gates where ambitions rise,  
A young mind entered with hopeful eyes.  
Drawn to charts, indices, and market trades,  
Learning bull runs, corrections, and volatility's shades.  
"Trend is your friend," the experts say,  
"Price is truth, let the charts show the way."  
Each candlestick told a story to see,  
Of patience, risk, and opportunity.  
Every lecture felt like a market breakout,  
Every project an investment that would work out.  
Like SIPs compounding year by year,  
He built discipline and conquered fear.  
Diversifying dreams like a balanced , portfolio,  
Reading life like charts in a trading studio.  
Today he stands ready, confident and wise,  
With ambitions as strong as the rising indices.  
For here one truth becomes clear:  
Growth begins the moment you start your first year.**

**PIYUSH GARG, BATCH 13**

**My gaze caught yours  
in the mirror once more-  
the black pulling up,  
still and known,  
like the air I keep inhaling  
effortlessly.**

**Now it doesn't scare me.  
Is it power,  
or a concession?  
aching yet,  
no shattering,  
no noise this time.**

**Perhaps I am getting stronger.  
Perhaps I am becoming resistant.  
I am this side  
mute,  
unapologetic unexpressed.**

**The pain is different,  
but the eyes look the same.  
The reflection is me,  
even though we aren't  
the same.**

**SAUMYA RAI, BATCH 13**

**MOMENTUM**

**A year ago, on February 14, I walked into the interview room carrying nervous energy, a folder of documents, and a quiet hope.**

**What followed was not just an opportunity, but a year filled with growth, unexpected lessons, and moments that reshaped how I see myself and the world around me. The interview wasn't just about answering questions it was about stepping outside my comfort zone. It was about believing I was capable, even when self-doubt tried to speak louder.**

**Over the past year, I have learned that growth happens in small and consistent steps showing up on difficult days, taking initiative when unsure, learning from mistakes, and building confidence through experience. There were moments of uncertainty, but also moments of clarity that reminded me why I started.**

**One year later, I carry more confidence and a deeper understanding of responsibility. The person who walked into that room last year was hopeful. The person writing this today is grateful and ready for the next challenge. Sometimes, the most important dates in our lives are not the ones the world celebrates, but the ones that quietly change us.**



~ JESSICA SUZANNE, BATCH 13

**Discovering the Real Meaning of an NGO: A Journey That Changed Me**

**I started my SUPA journey with Udayan Care excited but misguided, thinking NGO work meant handing out food or clothes—visible charity. Instead, it was deeper: empowering girl children through education fellowships for independent futures.**

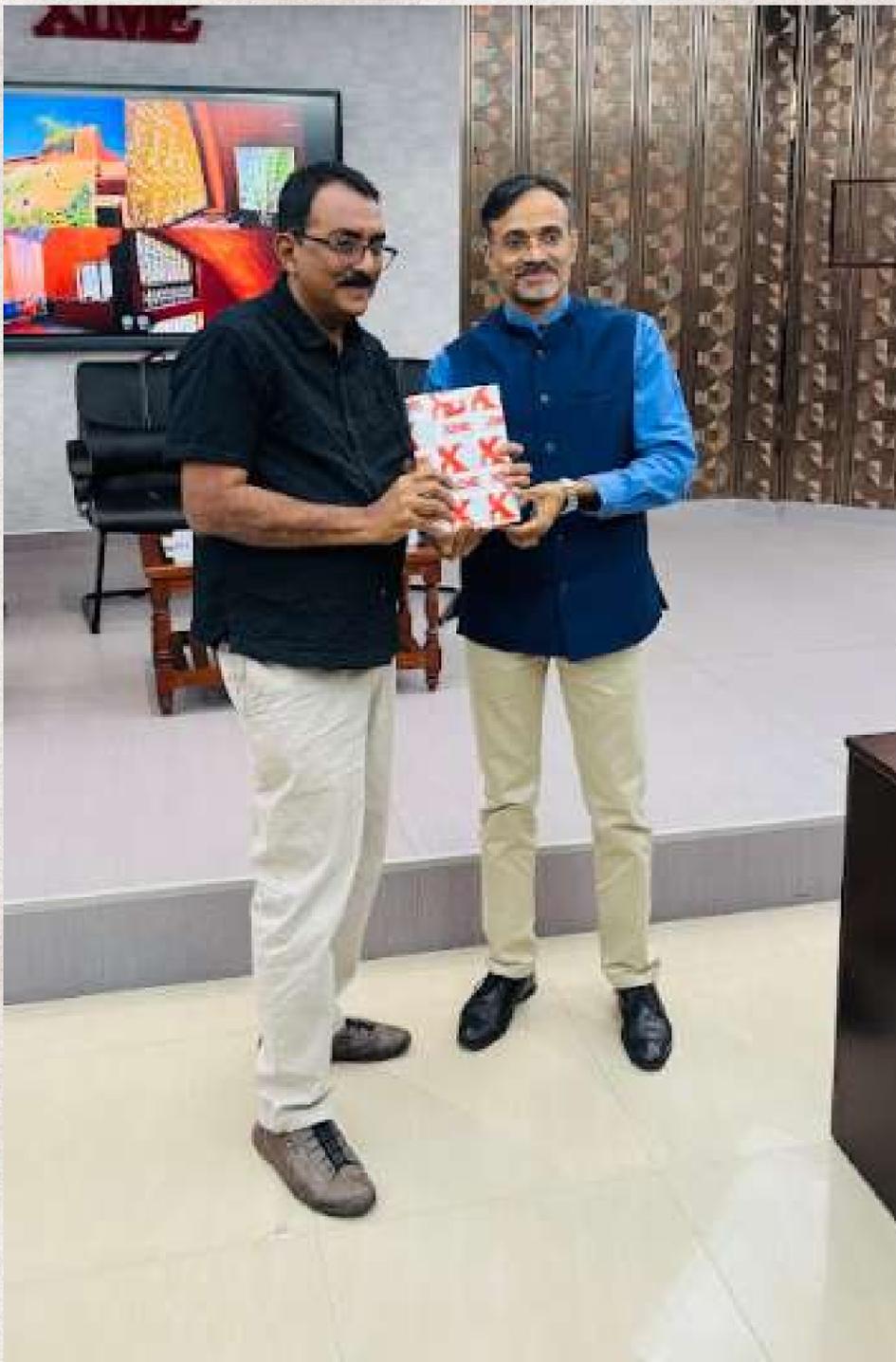
**Supporting their applications taught me more than I gave. The highlight? My mentorship session, where I shared my raw struggles, fears, and growth story.**

**Afterward, in the silence, girls approached with shy smiles: "Didi, can we take a selfie?" That moment—acceptance, connection, impact—filled my heart. Their admiring eyes made me feel seen and valued, turning my tears into fulfillment.**

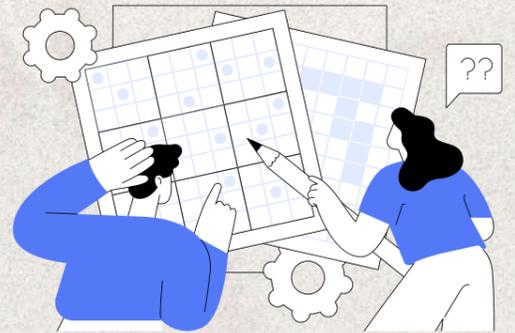
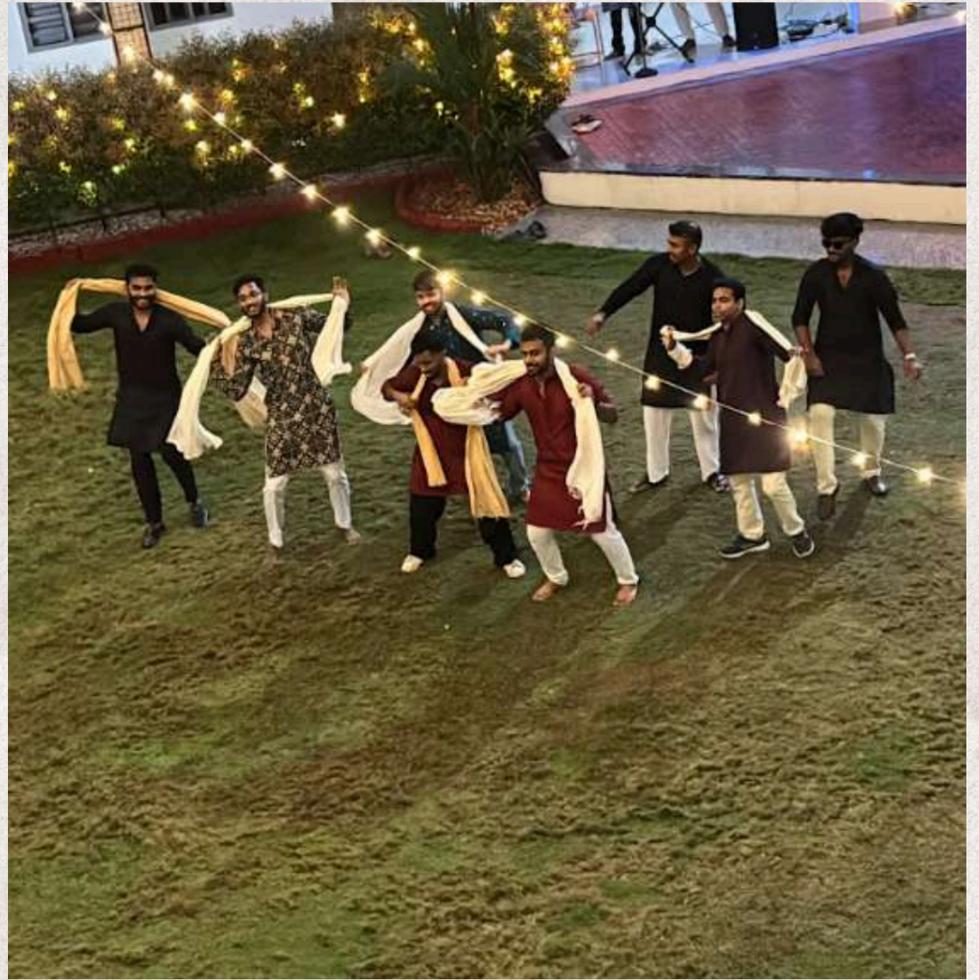
**That selfie reminds me impact lives in quiet, honest connections, not loud achievements. Thanks to XIME's SUPA, I found true purpose.**

~ VAISHNAVI SINGH, BATCH 13









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## MANAGEMENT EVENTS

### **The Goblet of Champions**

(BEST MANAGER)

### **Founder's Spellbook**

(B-PAN)

### **Phoenix Reign Spell Ops**

(OPERATIONS)

### **The Wizards of Walls Street**

(FINANCE)

### **The Triwizard Marketing Tournament**

(MARKETING)

### **Order of The Phoenix**

(HR)

## CULTURAL EVENTS

### **Crown and Cloak**

(MR QUEST AND MISS QUEST)

### **The Chamber of Talents**

(PERFORMANCE EVENT)

### **Missing Piece**

(TREASURE HUNT)

## SPORTS EVENTS

### **The Golden Snitch-Off**

(FOOTBALL)

### **The Wizard's Crease**

(CRICKET)

### **Hoops and Hallows**

(BASKETBALL)

### **Shuttles & Spells**

(BADMINTON)

## EXPERIENCES AT QUEST 2026

ENJOY  
**THE GREAT FEAST FOOD FESTIVAL,**  
EXPLORE DIY CREATIVITY  
AT **THE MAKERS' CORNER,** AND  
UNWIND AT **THE EVENING GALA**  
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