ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

First and foremost I thank the Management, Principal and my colleagues for giving me this opportunity to lead and co-ordinate the Alumni Association of VCET. In the capacity of Alumni Co-ordinator, I would like to present this report.

Every year VCET publishes an alumni year book to keep our cherished memories recorded for eternity. To appear in alumni book is every student’s dream and I along with my entire committee, try our best to fulfill it. This year book comprises of the photographs of all the graduating students along with special comments and nick names bestowed upon them by their peers during their four year engineering course.

This year, under the guidance of our honourable principal, we hosted a grand Alumni Meet on 8th Feb, 2014. This alumni meet was organized on the eve of the 100th birth anniversary of Padmashri Bhausheb Vartak, the founder of VCET. The function started at 6.30pm with the welcome speech by Mrs. Kanchan Sarmalkar. The academic activities of the college were highlighted to the guests by Dr. Vikas Gupta, our Academic Dean. Our beloved Principal, Dr. Ashok Bhonsale emphasized on industry-institute relationship. He mentioned that this bond would be strengthened if our alumni would give some guidance to our present students which would help them to get recruited in better companies. Our Chairman Shri Khokani Sir brought cheers to all the audience with its witty jokes and shyari.

Some of the alumni shared their corporate/industry experiences. There was a dance performance by the college dance group and musical performance by staff too. Everybody enjoyed a lavish dinner. It was a wonderful gathering where the alumni cherished their memories.

Prof. Kanchan N. Sarmalkar
Co-ordinator, VCET Alumni Association

ISA

ISA is a committee for the Instrumentation department. Throughout the year ISA actively conducts various events in our college. Few of the events being

• Teacher’s day celebrations - We in ISA believe teachers are a very important and vital part of our department as they are the ones who nurture and hone the minds of the young engineers. Hence teacher’s day is celebrated with much zeal and enthusiasm on 5th September, 2013.
• GATE seminar by GATE forum - We guide our students in the best possible way for the future. We conduct lot of seminars relating to further studies. This seminar was to guide them for their options Mtech.
• Seminar for higher studies conducted by Imperial school and study centre. This was a seminar to guide students for further studies abroad and to guide them about MS degree.
• Our annual technical festival ORION’13 saw ISA actively contributing with events for robotics as well as fun events like laser maze and fun zone.
• Seminar on the Scope of instrumentation was organised in which we guided students about field of instrumentation engineering.
• Yantra - One of the most respected product exhibitions was conducted by ISA so that we stay updated with industry.

It was an excellent year for VCET ISA student’s chapter. I extend my gratitude towards our ISA faculty in-charge, Prof. Mugdha Salvi and the ISA team members for their valuable contributions.

Mr. Tejas Bhandarkar
(President)
creativity in all students. The SC also helped in the organization of Alumni Meet 2014. We organized a dance workshop on Bachata and Waltz. But the main goal of SC was to make Zeal, the cultural extravaganza of our college a grand success. This year’s participation of students from colleges all over Mumbai proved the fame of Zeal. All the VCETians had the time of their life in Zeal 2014 & all the credit goes to the Zeal Working Committee which comprises of SC, Magazine Committee and the Sports committee.

I would like to thank our Principal Dr. Ashok Bhonsale for his support. Our festival would not have been such a success without the proper guidance & motivation provided to us by Prof. Sainath Patil –Student’s Council In-charge, Prof. Sandeep Pandey- Sports Committee In-charge, Prof. Pradip Gulbile-Magazine In-charge and the staff from every department of Student’s Council. A special mention to all the F.E. volunteers of SC & to White Shadows, a photography group of F.E. students.

Personally I had the happiest time of my life this year in SC. It’s upsetting to bid farewell but I have full faith in the innovative & preserving Student’s Council, that next year it is going to make Zeal even more grandiose.

Pratik Sapre  
(General Secretary)

CSI-VCET

The Computer Society of India (CSI) is the largest and most professionally managed association of and for IT professionals in India. Every year the CSI-VCET chapter has a huge contribution in various seminars, events and festivals organised all round the year in our college.

The technical festival ‘Orion’13’ was organised in the month of September. The CSI-VCET conducted 15 events successfully in this festival. They were based on testing the participants coding skills, image morphing abilities, the ease with which they can operate various softwares etc. Huge student participation was received in these events.

Various seminars and workshops were conducted by CSI-VCET student chapter including the one on ‘Ethical Hacking’ held in the month of October. This seminar had a very positive response and was well received by students. Level 2 of this workshop was conducted in the month of March.

CSI-VCET also organises two online treasure hunts. They were organised as a part of OPUS’14 and ORION’13. They are two day events which draws a large response from the students from all branches.

Opus’14 is an initiative taken by the CSI-VCET student chapter to ‘Showcase’ and provide the right platform to some simple yet impressive works of talented engineering students. The main aim behind organising such an event is to applaud the efforts of the students who have seen their project go from being just an idea into a fully functional project. This event will be conducted in the month of April.

The CSI-VCET chapter has a tie up with the CSI-MUMBAI chapter which consists of more than 40 institutions and it provides a platform for the nurturing students at a regional level.

Ms. Jinita Shah  
Chairperson

I-TECH COMMITTEE

The I-TECH committee handles technical publications of the IT department of VCET. Our aim is to keep the students of the department
THE MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

The Magazine Committee in the year 2013-2014 hosted an array of activities to nurture the literary talent in the technical minds of VCETians. We take pride in our collective achievements through collaborative work, excellent team spirit and the student friendly culture.

To start off, we organized the FE Orientation wherein we did our best to introduce our FE pals to the academic and extra-curricular scenario of VCET. Our Committee actively participated in the technical fest, Orion’13. The Tech-Talk team put in great efforts to enhance the knowledge pool of fellow VCETians. TechTalk’13 gave a glimpse of the latest technological advancements.

The even semester saw an array of events from the Magazine Committee. The Marathi and Hindi Kavi Sammelan, held in February, saw VCETians show off their poetic prowess. Fine poetry recitations left the audiences spellbound. The high point of the committee was FACEOFF 3.0, a blockbuster event of VCET held in honour of Padmeshri Bhausaheb Vartak. Two days of mind-blowing debating, enormous support from the audiences to cheer their departments concluded in the Ash Avengers being crowned the debate champions. The event was a huge success thanks to the hard work of all the members.

The Magazine Committee, being an integral part of the Zeal working Committee organized various events in Zeal’2014. Literary events like Love letter writing, Creative Story writing, Parliamentary debates and new initiatives like Troll Making, Hollywood Quiz were well thought out and implemented by us. The annual photo shoot held on Formals day was an event with glitz and glamour capturing memories of VCET. Finally it gives me great pride in presenting our annual mega project, VISTA’14. A fulfilment of the great efforts by our editing and graphics team, VISTA is the manifestation of thoughts of VCETians-students and staff alike.

I, the Magazine Secretary on behalf of all BEs take this opportunity to appreciate all the committee members who have been instrumental in organizing all the events of the committee. We would like to thank our principal Dr. Ashok Bhonsale and our Staff In-charge Asst. Prof. Pradip Gulbhile, for their support. I conclude with the hope that the Magazine Committee keeps flourishing in the years to come with its quest to keep the literary lamp of VCET ignited.

Miss. Nikita Goyal

STUDENTS’ COUNCIL

It gives me great pleasure to report the success of Student’s Council (SC) in the academic year 2013-2014. This year, we the SC ensured that all the cultural activities are celebrated with more enthusiasm & joy.

In the odd semester, our first goal was to orient the F.E. students with all the rules & regulations of our college. Following it we arranged Fresher’s night to groove to the music on the dance floor. Then came Teacher’s day, a day when we expressed our gratitude towards our excellent teachers by celebrating it with more zest. After this we went a little traditional & arranged ‘Garba-Dandiya Rass’ for our college to celebrate Navratri.

The even semester began with Zeal Sports. This year’s sports met with more participation & enjoyment by all the VCETians. All the credit goes to the Sports Committee of VCET. Then as usual this year we celebrated Traditional day, Formal’s day & Angels and Demons day, the last being an exciting new addition which displayed some excellent
updated about the latest technological advancements. This is mainly to prepare them for the industry and the outside world which demands up-to-date technical know-how.

The I-TECH committee was formed by Prof. Anagha J. Patil in 2010 and it launched its first technical publication, 'LOGIN: to explore', a magazine informing students about the latest technology trends. Since then we have come a long way and published 4 editions which were extensively informative. It provided invaluable insights into the industry's progress over the years. LOGIN’13 covered topics such as Google glass and various job opportunities among others.

Our committee is a very hardworking organization with a lot of diligent members who toil tirelessly. I am thankful to our Head of Department, Prof. Chandan Kolavankar for supporting us and inspiring us throughout in this endeavour. I am especially thankful to our mentor and staff-in-charge, Prof. Anagha J. Patil and Prof. Mehul Khandedia for their constant support and leadership. Without their guidance and supervision this could not have been possible.

We have outdone our expectations each year and we will deliver that performance in the coming years too by organizing new events to encourage fellow student's participation and expand the committee's horizons. We promise to deliver a more exciting yet informative magazine in the coming semesters too.

Vishruti H. B. Mhatre
Chairperson

VMEAG
Vidyavardhini Mechanical Engineering Association (V.M.E.A) is one of the committees in the institute which provides a platform for students of mechanical engineering department to showcase their technical and creative know-how.

The committee conducted a wide range of activities under the guidance of our staff in-charge Prof. Sanjay Lohan during the year 2013-14. VMEA organized an exciting range of activities during the technical festival ORION 2013. These included the popular classics like Drag race, Silk route and Robo wars, which provided students with an opportunity to use their innovative skills. New events such as 'neon pot black' and many more were successfully conducted this year. The event 'Contraption' was executed in a more sophisticated way this year.

Various seminars were conducted to expose students to various practical aspects of mechanical engineering and to broaden the horizons of their intellect.

VMEA looks forward to meet the challenges for the academic year 2014-15 and strives to cater the needs of students pursuing Mechanical Engineering.

Mr. Sumedh Lalge
Chairperson

SAE
Society of Automotive Engineers- SAE is an infant in the midst of social existing technical committees of VCET. But we have made sure through our work that everybody knows us. The committee comprises of actively working members from B.E, T.E. & S.E. Mechanical Engineering, all of them working under the guidance of Prof. R.D. Jitle. Our motivation behind working is to develop a place for our committee amidst all other committees present in our
college. Constant enthusiasm & sincere efforts from our members have made it possible so far.

The SAE-VCET chapter has been quite active by organizing different events throughout the year. We also held three extremely novel events in Orion '13 Mecha Roadies, Neon Racing & Neon Cricket which were successfully executed. The success behind the execution was sheer hard work & team effort. To add a cherry on the cake, our college is participating in the National Level F1 Type Car Design & Race Competition Supra to be held in June 2014 in Chennai. The college is represented by the Team Ethan through the SAE Committee. Our College stood 77th all over India in the virtual round of Supra. We are hoping to win the competition which will prove to be more fruitful for SAE & thereby to the VCETians.

Prakash D. Ahir
(Chairperson- SAE)

IEEE VCET STUDENT BRANCH

The Department of Electronics and Telecommunication’s IEEE VCET SB in association with other technical committees arranges an array of exhilarating events in VCET.

The dawn of the academic year 2013-14 saw one such spectacular of the most eyed upon event called "Bhraman’13-A photo exhibition". This year’s theme being 'Indian Railways' the exhibition displayed a train of photos giving us a peek through about the facts of our railways that we never knew.

The annual technical festival "Orion’13" which arrived with events from technical as well as non-technical regions was hailed by the whole college. The committee amongst many other technical committees was responsible for the architecture of this festival. Events like 'Accelerace' and 'Neon Football' proved to be the highlights among the committee’s events. The electric atmosphere, enthusiasm and eagerness of the collegians proved to be the perfect start for the festival.

The even semester started with a challenging quiz the evolving engineering minds called as “FE Quiz’14”. The two day event received an overwhelming response from our young participants with first day being the elimination round and second being final round.

Last but not the least and in fact the most important event of the committee “Anveshan’14- A Project Showcase”. The project showcase gives a platform to the students to implement the technical knowledge gained during their course of engineering against those of their peers and thus gives the students a valuable experience.

The academic year 2013-14 marked the triumph of the combined efforts of the whole team of IEEE VCET SB including the staff and working members. The hard work and enthusiasm of the whole team was well reflected on each of the event. The year was a mark of accomplishment stirring proud feeling. The huge response and participation has itself encouraged the team to make the next year one step up the ladder.

Mr. Alok Shukla
(Chairman)

VCET IETE STUDENTS' FORUM

‘Great teamwork is the only way we create the breakthroughs that define our careers’

The above words seem truly appropriate
as I present the annual committee report of the VCET IETE Student's Forum. It gives me great pride and honor to put forward the activities and achievements of our committee. Like every year, the forum has been an exceptional platform for the students to put forth their views and organize various events besides developing their technical skills. The academic year 2013-14 brought forward a fresh wave of organizational developments for the committee as a whole, thus having set a new milestone for the years to come.

This year's student activities began with the fifth edition of BHRAMAN'13, a splendid photo-exhibition titled, "Indian Railways- Serving Miles With Smiles ", on the eve of the Engineer's Day celebration to commemorate the 152nd birth anniversary of Sir 'M. Visvesvaraya' on the 16th and 17th of September in collaboration with IEEE. The inauguration was done by the honorable Chief Guest, Mr. G. S. Tuteja, Chief Signalling Officer, Western Railways. The exhibition captured the illustrious trajectory of the railways, encompassing all the fundamental aspects of its functioning and the vast architectural heritage in mainly five sections titled—History, Locomotives, Signals, Signs and Symbols, Nilgiri and Konkan rail systems and Amchi Local. The efforts taken by the members were applauded by visitors from the college and outsiders alike.

The next event to have been successfully organized was ORION'13, the inter-collegiate technical festival. IETE VCET-SF jointly with IEEE organized an array of technical as well as non-technical events like Accelerace, Table-Bot, Virtual Maze, Funville, Quiz-O-Walk, Battle of Brains and many more. The technical festival of VCET was thus branded a huge success owing to the co-ordination of all technical committees.

The forum is co-organizing a State level Project Showcase titled ANVESHAN'14 wherein students compete with the best minds in the technical field from across the state by showcasing their projects to win attractive prizes. The showcase is expected to witness enormous a of participation from colleges all over the state.

The smooth running of all activities is duly credited to all the members of the VCET IETE Students’ Forum. I would like to thank our respected Principal, Dr. Ashok Bhonsale as well as Dr. Vikas Gupta, HOD- Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering for their continuous support and encouragement throughout the year in all our activities. We also express our gratitude to our Branch Counsellor, Prof. Shaista Khan for being a source of inspiration with her positive outlook and motivational guidance. I would also like to congratulate the entire committee for their brilliant efforts across the year and hope that the legacy continues for years to come.

Adityaprakash Tiwari
(Chairman)

ETA

It gives me great pleasure to present the annual technical report of our committee, The Electronics and Telecommunication Association. ETA is the literary committee of the department of Electronics and Telecommunication at VCET and has always aimed at building an efficient link between the faculty and the students. Quite truly, it has been standing up to its expectations this year too.

2013-2014 saw the committee strength booming in terms of both quality and quantity. In the odd semester, with the support of its dedicated & hard working members, ETA successfully conducted its events in the technical
festival, Orion. Some of the events like Battle of Brains saw hordes of participants.

In the even semester, the online newsletter was published in its e-version in the month of March. The ETA wall has also been actively updated to keep the technical knowledge of students up to date. The annual technical magazine PULSE is a sweet result of the hard work of the members.

ISHRAE

ISHRAE stands for Indian Society of Heating and Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Engineers. ISHRAE-VCET chapter has conducted many events under the guidance of Prof. Vinay Patel for the academic year 2013-2014.

To start with, an event 'AQUATHURST' was organized in Orion’13 which received good response from all the robotics maniacs. A seminar on 'Basic Concepts of Refrigeration & Air Conditioning' was delivered by Mr. Ritesh Solanki. As a part of 'National Student Design Competition', a qualifying round was held which saw 4 students representing our college for National Level Design Competition in ACREX ’14, held in Delhi. Also ISHRAE-VCET stood third in the complete Mumbai division in quiz competition which was a part of ACREX ’14. To conclude the year an industrial visit was arranged to Katraj Dairy to study refrigeration & cooling systems. This year 2013-2014 was fulfilling for the VCET chapter of ISHARE & we look forward to the new challenges in the next year.

SPORTS COMMITTEE

Sports have been an integral part of VCET. Being the sports secretary for the year 2013-2014, managing the events in the stipulated time had both been challenging and rewarding. The year began with selection for cricket, badminton and throwball team.

This is the sixth year in the row where all the teams have been a part of MIT’s National Level Tournament with the carrom team making it to the semi-finals. The football team, with it’s spectacular performance, won the tournament at Atharva College. The girl’s badminton team won VJTI while the volleyball team were runner’s up at DJ Sanghavi and made their way to semi-finals at Thakur, Atharva, KJ Somaiya, SPIT, and Thadomal.

Apart from the intercollegiate achievements, VCET saw a lot of enthusiasm in the intra-collegiate events. All credits go to the Sports Committee, event heads and event coordinators in making the sports possible. Girls volleyball was a new event added this year which was played in flood lights.

We are highly indebted to the college management and our principal, Dr. Ashok Bhonsale for their whole hearted co-operation. We sincerely thank the sports in-charge Mr. Vishal Pande, sports coordinator Mr. Mahesh Thakur, Mrs. Neha Gharat and Mrs. Uma Pasalkar and the entire sports committee for their efforts in organizing all the events successfully and making Sports ’14 a great success.

Sagar Shrikant Umalkar
(Sports Secretary)

Mr. Ajinkya Y. Padate
(President)