October 6, 2014

The IEEE All India Student Congress was inaugurated on October 6, 2014 in the auditorium of Nirma University, Ahmedabad. It was inaugurated by the chief guest Shri. Sunil Parekh, advisor of Zydus Cadila Healthcare Group. Total 256 participants registered for the AISC ‘14. Of those, 151 were male and 79 female participants who represented all sections but one and that was Kharagpur section. Section wise participation is as follows:

- Delhi – 62
- Bangalore - 39
- Hyderabad - 38
- Gujarat - 32
- Bombay - 19
- Madras - 16
- Kerala - 14
- Pune - 6
- UP - 3
- Kolkata - 1

There were 28 students who registered but could not attend AISC ‘14.

Dr. Mehul Raval, Vice-chair, IEEE Gujarat Section gave welcome speech in the inaugural session. The chief guest, Shri. Sunil Parekh further gave a Power Talk on
the topic Next Generation Youth - Art of Innovation. Dr. K Kotehca, Director of Institute of Technology, Nirma University gave a speech on Critical Thinking. The Vice chair. Student Activities, IEEE India council Prof. Preeti Bajaj emphasised on using technology for the betterment of the society in her speech. Vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Tanish Zaveri, SAC, Gujarat Section.

Shri. Srikanth Chandrasekaran, IEEE India office, Standard Association gave the participants important information of the standards of IEEE that are to be followed. Further, Shri. A. Ravikiran, Region 10 Liaison Coordinator talked about career
marathon which was useful to most of the students in their planning of further education. The founder of the company iCreate also gave a presentation of his company's innovations. Shri Gowtham K N, R10 Information Management Coordinator captured the attention of the participants by giving a speech on how to make their respective student branch famous.

In the last stage of the day, just before dinner, Mr. Arjun Pillai and the India SAC team explained to the students in a very interactive session about the benefits of IEEE to the Indian students and also about how to run the student branch efficiently.

In the night the cultural performances which included the performances by 2 bands, many dancers and singers and a drama had the students have a lot of fun after a long day of sessions inside the auditorium. The dinner gave the students an opportunity to interact with students of different branches from various parts of India.
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The next day started with Shri Nilesh M Desai, Space Application Centre, ISRO, giving the details about the space science frontiers of India and the Indian Mars mission. Later on Shri Srikanth Chandrasekaran conducted a quiz about IEEE which revealed many unknown facts about IEEE to the participants.

Shri Arjun Pillai later gave a talk on activities of Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technology (SIGHT) - IEEE perspective followed by SIGHT's NGO perspective by Shri Ashutosh Jani, All India Rural Empowerment Program.

Also, the participants were enlightened by the works of NGOs such as Nu Hope. Various breath taking experiences were shared with the participants to inculcate in them the sense of humanity and the urge to work for the country.

In the afternoon the participants were taken to industry visit to Electronics and Quality Development Centre (EQDC) and Circuit Systems (India) Ltd. (CSIL), where participants gained practical skills and exposure to the industrial world. While returning, participants also visited Akashardham.

The night was followed by a Banquet dinner at Nirma University on occasion of IEEE Day. Here the participants got an opportunity to share their IEEE experiences and interact with senior IEEE members.
October 8th, 2014

The last day of IEEE started with Prof. A S Ranade of Ahmedabad University giving a speech on Emotional Intelligence. It was followed by Shri Sanjeev Agrawal's presentation on Decoding the Human Brain using Brainbow.

Dr. K Kotecah, Director IT-NU gave talk on creativity and participants are motivated by the talk. He has shown in his speech that how technology and innovation impact on difficulty faced in Indian scenario.

Later that afternoon was the official valediction of AISC - 2014 and the summary of the congress along with the feedback of various sections. Dr. Anil Roy, Chair, IEEE Gujarat section gave details about our journey of AISC ’14. GUJCOST’s continued support for IEEE activities in Gujarat was acknowledged by Dr. Roy and cheered by all the participants. Shri Pankaj Gupta, Senior VP, IL&FS (GIFT City), the chief guest of valedictory session, addressed participants. He gave details of GIFT city on how latest technology was used in GIFT city. The volunteers were invited on stage and honoured for their contribution in making this event a success.
Participants from each section were called upon for their honest feedback and they have mentioned following points for better conduction of next year congress.
All moments are destined to be over, so was AISC 2014. It was great networking experience for all the participants and an exciting team-building exercise for all the volunteers and organizing committee members.

After the late lunch on 8 Oct 2014 all participants exchanged gifts that they had brought in anticipation for their newly made friends. This was the parting-off Thanksgiving Session of AISC 2014. By evening most of the participants left to their respective native places.

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