Catalogue of Clubs

Akshar

As you might have guessed from the name, Akshar is the literary club of the institute. The main aim of Akshar is to promote various literary activities and to develop and amplify this skill in students. To keep the club active, short sessions are held every week. The main activities involve quizzes, writing competitions, speaking events like JAM, Debate etc.

Highlight Events :

- *Qriosity* -the annual quiz competition of IIT Palakkad
- *Online quizzes* - India quiz, Sports quiz, TV Series quiz etc
- *Constitution day* discussion
- *Hindi Diwas* - debate and poetry competition

How to apply :

You will be sent a google form via mail and you can join the club by filling it. For further clarifications, feel free to mail akshar@iitpkd.ac.in.

Prerequisites :

None. You can join the club if you are interested in literary activities or if you want to improve your languages skills.

Club Head : Abraham Aby (131801003@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Sarath Sasi (sarath@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : akshar.iitpalakkad

Wordpress Blog: https://akshariitpkdsite.wordpress.com/

Facebook : Our Page

Bioscope

Bioscope is the filmmaking and media club of IIT Palakkad. The club encourages all aspects of filmmaking such as screenwriting, editing, direction and cinematography. The club actively makes videos which capture the beauty of our campuses.

Events :

- *Just cut it* (online video editing competition)
- *Campus Video*
- *Short films*

How to apply :

A form will be circulated and you can fill it to join Bioscope.
For further clarifications, feel free to mail bioscope@iitpkd.ac.in.

Prerequisites :

Anyone who's enthusiastic about filmmaking and has some minimum knowledge about films can apply.

Club Head : Sai Chetan (121801033@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Sarath Sasi (sarath@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : bioscope_iitpkd

Facebook : Our Page

Campus Spotlight

A joint initiative of SAC and Petrichor, Campus Spotlight is the institute's very own campus podcast and radio station! It started on July 10th 2020 after a series of selection processes and aims to provide a great platform for showcasing talent and hearing from the best voices in our institute.

Highlight Events :

- Campus Spotlight's journey began with the *Friendship day special show*
- *Dil Dosti ki Dastaan*, a series of shows, where the batch of 2016 re-lived their wonderful memories. It was a virtual farewell
- *SAC interview* series, a one to one interview with SAC members (It is currently being aired)

Upcoming Events :

- Addressing *social issues*
- Regular *caller programmes* and collaborations with Akshar and other clubs

How to apply :

Presently, Campus Spotlight is not recruiting students. However, there are a series of surprises in store for you.

Club Head : Sneha Laxmi Jayan (121801042@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Afzaal Ahmed (afzaal@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : campus_spotlight._iitpkd

Curtain Call

Curtain Call, the Dramatics club of IIT Palakkad, provides a platform to showcase the amazing stage presence of students. Be it comedy, tragedy, suspense, thriller, direction, they've got it all! Curtain Call aims to improve the on-stage, off-stage and backstage skills and to bring out the best in the people.

Highlight Events :

- *Samvidhan Express*
- *Independence day Mime*
- *The Refund*

How to apply :

By filling a google form which will be sent out soon.
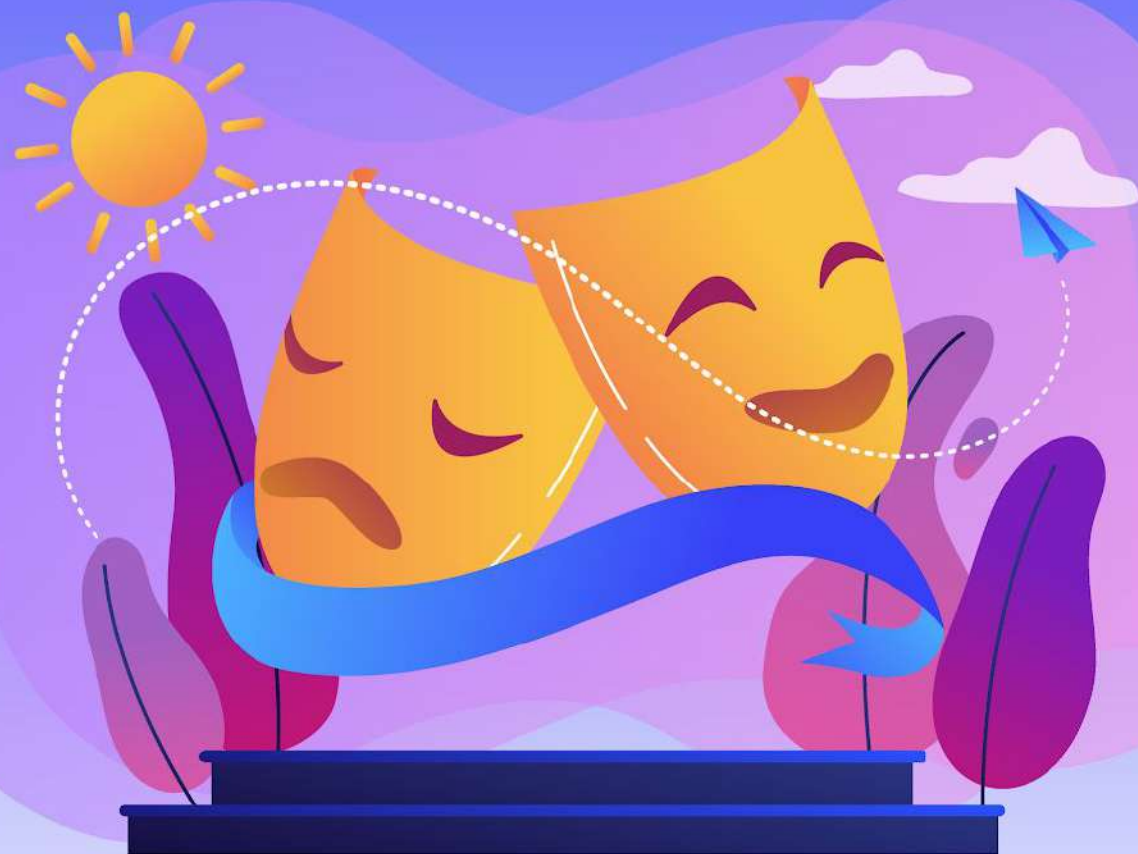For further clarifications, feel free to mail the club head.

Prerequisites :

None. Anyone who is willing to dedicate their time towards dramatics can apply.

Club Head : Utkarsh Kumar (121801047@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Sarath Sasi (sarath@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : curtain_call_iitpkd

Data Analysis Club

The Data Analysis Club (DAC) aims at solving real world problems by designing and tuning predictive models through collection and analysis of data. The community engages itself in discussing, learning and working on topics related to ML and AI. The club strives to build an interdisciplinary student community that is proficient in Data Analysis.

Highlight Events :

- *Training session*
- *Talks* by PG students
- *ML* related Competitions

Upcoming Events :

- *14 days of ML*

How to apply :

Fill out the form attached in the mail sent by the club head.
For further clarifications, feel free to mail the club head directly.

Prerequisites :

None. Anyone interested in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning can apply.

Club Head : Pandala SSSS V Sri Vishnu Subhash (111901038@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Sahely Bhadra (sahely@iitpkd.ac.in)

Finance Club

A group of individuals passionate about finance, the Finance Club wants to share the elegance of finance with the student community and also make people understand the importance of finance as a viable career option and of Financial Management, irrespective of their career path. They aim to provide an insight into the challenges faced by startups/ businesses: managing funds, cash inflow and outflow. They also focus on making strategic business decisions by conducting interactive sessions to understand the significance of calculated risks.

Upcoming Events :

- *Mock trading competitions* in collaboration with other Institutes.
- *Quizzes, projects, and group discussions* on theme-based topics.
- *Interactive sessions* with industrial and academic experts in finance.

How to apply :

After an introductory session which will be held soon, a registration form will be sent through which you can join the club.

Prerequisites :   None

Club Heads :

R.Abhishek Djoy   (111801036@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)
J.G.Anurag   (111801020@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr Amrita Roy (amritaroy@iitpkd.ac.in)

Grafica

Grafica, the Arts club of IIT Palakkad, assists students in learning new skills such as photoshop, poster/pamphlet designing, etc. The Club aims to foster a strong and healthy environment for artists, and to provide a platform for students to showcase their talents.

Highlight Events :

- Artico - a Digital Art Contest, based on the following themes: Music, Love and Anime. The competition was open for all.

How to apply :

A membership form will be circulated and all the details will be provided in that mail.
For further clarifications, feel free to mail grafica20pkd@gmail.com, or the club head directly.
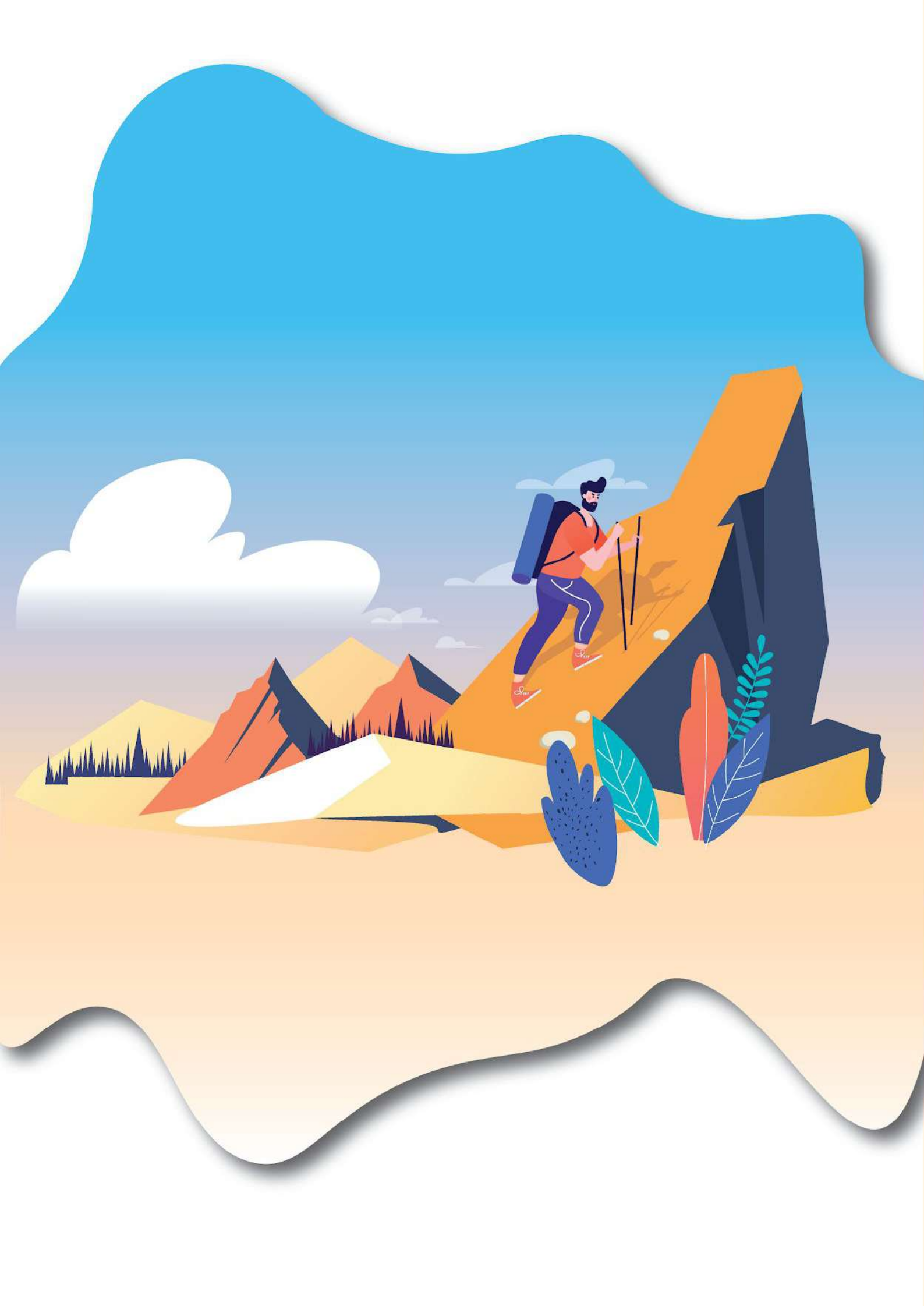
Prerequisites :

None. Anyone who is interested in learning new skills can apply.

Club Head : Ashawini Ganesh Hiwarale (101801010@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Reenu Punnoose (reenu@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : grafica_iitpkd

NOVARE

Novare, the trekking and adventure club of the institute, quenches your thirst for adventures and provides a getaway from the hustle and bustle of academics.

This club would serve as a haven for anyone interested in exploring different places and cultures. The club has been quite active on Instagram even during the lockdown, by sharing experiences from previous trips taken by the students of IIT Palakkad.

Events :

- *Batchwise and Non-Batchwise Trips* at regular intervals.
- New Ideas for the events are always welcome.

How to apply :

A registration form will be sent out soon, through which you can join them. For further clarifications, feel free to mail the club head directly.

Prerequisites : None

Club Head : P S Harikrishnan (111801028@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) :
Dr. Lakshmi Narasimhan Theagarajan (lnt@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : novare_iitpkd

Shutterbug

Shutterbug provides a great platform for students who are interested in photography and want to improve their photographic skills.

Highlight Event :

In-Home Photography battle: Shutterbug came forward with the idea of exploring the contestants' creativity within the Four Walls of the house.

How to apply :

A registration form will be sent. In the registration form you are required to attach a picture (from Google drive link) edited by you. If you are new to editing, you can use help from Google and YouTube to learn it.

Prerequisites :

Anyone who has an interest in photography and is keen on learning new skills can apply..

Club Head : Jayanth Kumar (111901033@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr Padmesh A (padmesh@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : [photographyclub.iitpkd](#)

Facebook : [Our Page](#)

Sync To Beat

Sync to Beat is the dance club of IIT Palakkad: A group of people enthralled by dance. You can use this as a platform to enhance your dancing skills as well as an opportunity to learn and teach new styles to different people.

Highlight Events :

- In the year 2020, *Naatya*, the first ever Intra-College dance competition, was held. Four teams faced each other with their styles and dance moves depicting different themes.
- *Insync*, a solo dance competition, was conducted on the Instagram platform. It was open to all dance enthusiasts and there was good participation by students from all over the country.

How to apply :

A mail will be sent asking interested students to join the club and relevant details will be provided. You can also mail the club head directly regarding the same.
Auditions will be conducted as part of the selection procedure.
For further clarifications, feel free to mail synctobeat@iitpkd.ac.in.

Prerequisites :

Anyone interested in dance can apply. There are no restrictions or prerequisites.

Club Head : Sukrutha Jayan (121801045@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Lakshmi Sankar (lakshmi@iitpkd.ac.in)

Facebook : Our Page

The Robotics Club

The Robotics Club (TRC) is a community of students who are enthusiastic about creating autonomous robots. It is an interdisciplinary effort where students from any department can learn and work on various aspects such as mechanical design, kinematics and dynamics of the model, sensors, and algorithms to follow. The club supports and fosters everyone's interests in all aspects related to robotics. Robo-geeks are provided with sufficient tools, a workspace and other amenities to let their imaginations run wild.

Past Projects :

- *Manually Controlled Underwater vehicle*
- *Toilet Cleaning Robot*
- *Biomimicking (Humanoid, Face Recognition, Spider Robot*
- *Everyday use (IoT based Smart Mirror, Board Cleaning Robot*
- *Cricket Bowling Machine*

Upcoming Projects :

- *3-D Design of an All Terrain Rover*
- *Simulation of a Swarm of Cleaning Bots*
- *3-D Design of an Arena for Robot competitions*
- *AMR (Autonomous Mobile Robot* using MATLAB and ROS (Robot Operating System*

How to apply : If interested, feel free to write to trc@iitpkd.ac.in.

Prerequisites :   None. Anyone (from any department) who is eager to learn and develop their skills can apply.

Club Head : Mohit Kumawat (101801018@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentors (Faculty) : Dr. Santha Kumar Mohan (santhakumar@iitpkd.ac.in) Dr. Arvind Ajoy (arvindajoy@iitpkd.ac.in)

Facebook: Our Page

Vadya

Vadya, the music club of IIT Palakkad, is home to all the music enthusiasts in the Institute. The club supports and grooms musicians and music enthusiasts by providing them a platform to showcase their talent and help them in improving their musical skills. The members of the club perform in all the Institute events. Regular jam sessions are also conducted.

Vadya represents the Institute in all the music competitions in any Cultural Meet. It actively participates in other college fests and has won several prizes.

Highlight Events :

- Battle of Bands - *BOB*
- *Open Mic*
- *Arsh* - The Cultural Night

Prerequisites: None

How to apply :

A Google form has been sent by the club. An audition will be conducted for the interested students in the first week of December 2020.

Club Head: Benhar R (131701024@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Institute Music Secretary: Raj Surya (131901026@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Debarati Chatterjee (debarati@iitpkd.ac.in)

Instagram : vadya_iitpkd

Facebook : Our Page

Yet Another Coding Club

Solve algorithmic problems, develop games and applications, dive into the depths of large-scale systems or catch bugs and help the community. Yet Another Coding Club (YACC) has got you covered with five independent and parallel tracks that you can excel in: *Competitive Programming*, *Ethical Hacking*, *Full stack development*, *Game development* and *System Design*. YACC strives to build a strong coding and problem solving culture in the institute and to make programming a cherishable experience for students with different skill sets.

Highlight Events :

- *Competitive coding* contest in association with Petrichor. The event witnessed participants from various colleges.
- Multiple short programming contests aimed at *interview preparation* for internships and placements.

Upcoming Events :

- *Software Essentials* for freshers, in an online semester
- *Remote Linux Installation Drive*
- *Python Bootcamp* to introduce newbies to programming

How to apply :

Join YACC's Discord server https://discord.gg/6KhywXcr3b. You can choose multiple tracks to participate in and would only be added to those channels along with a bunch of common ones. Make sure to follow the rules and best practices.
For any clarification, feel free to write to yacc@iitpkd.ac.in.

Prerequisites : Enthusiasm, patience and a never-give-up attitude!

Club Heads :   Priyanshu Shrivastav (111701022@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)
Devansh Singh Rathore (111701011@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Albert Sunny (albert@iitpkd.ac.in)

Other Independent Bodies

COSMOS with Mr. Gauri Shankar Prasad and Mr. Sanjay Pradeep

Alumni Talks: "Corporate Life" by Mr. Somasekharan S

SAVAge Talks with Batch 2016

Alumni Cell

Alumni Cell, as the name suggests, is the student body that is the point of contact between all our Alumni and the Institute. A strong Alumni network is one of the main pillars of any esteemed institution and the Alumni Cell continuously organizes a plethora of events and activities.

Highlight Events:
- *SAVAge* talks aka "Student Alumni Virtual Age talks"
- *COSMOS* aka "Career Oriented Sessions - Making Own Strategies"
- *FAM* aka "Faculty Alumni Meet"
- *Alumni Talks* and the release of two issues of the first edition of "Footprints", a newsletter specially designed for the alumni.
- Initiation of an award for budding undergraduate researchers - *The Annual Undergraduate Research and Innovation Award.*

Upcoming Events:
- *Videothon*: Batch'20 will get a chance to interact with the Alumni, know about their stories in IIT Palakkad, and their takeaways from the place.
- *Back to the Beginning:* To bring back old memories of the institute's co-curricular activities, a series of informal meets will be set up between Alumni and various cultural clubs.
- *Alumni vs. Students: Sports Championship* will be organized alongside the Sports Council of IIT Palakkad to bring all students and alumni together through a virtual game.

How to apply :
Applications open after the appointment of a new SAC. Therefore the applications may open up around the end of May. A Google Form will be sent to receive applications.

Prerequisites :
There are various posts in the Alumni Cell. The posts are open to all, each having its own requirements, which will be communicated to students as and when they open up. An interview process may be there for selection.
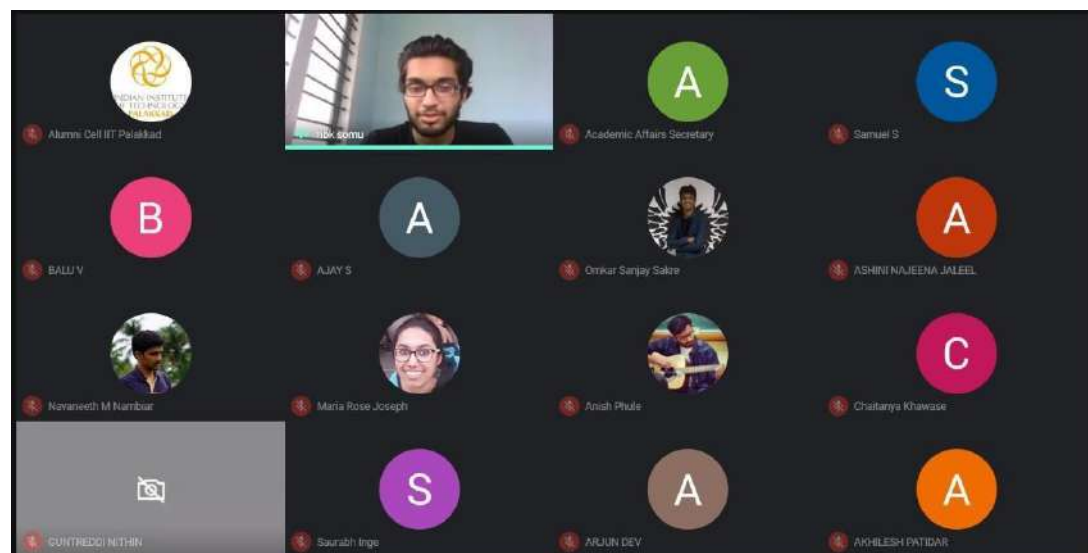
Club in-charge: This is not a club. Head: Anand Kumar Sharma (101701005@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

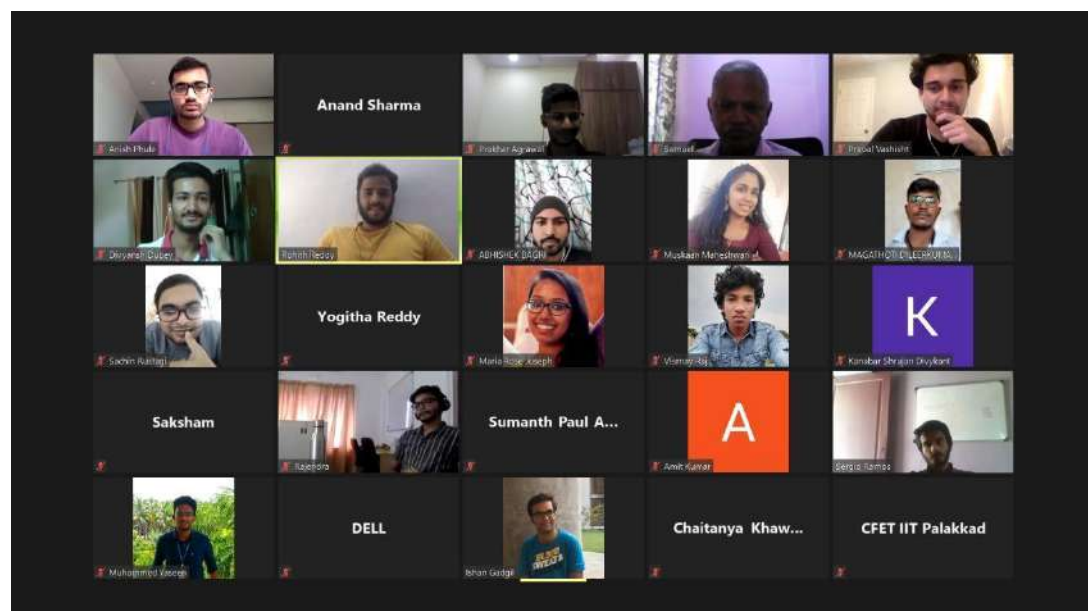**Mentor (Faculty):** Dr. Lakshmi Narasimhan Theagarajan (lnt@iitpkd.ac.in)

Linkedin : https://www.linkedin.com/company/alumnicelliitpalakkad/

EBSB

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) is a programme under the Ministry of Education that aims to enhance interaction & promote mutual understanding between people of different states through the concept of state pairing. The EBSB Club intends to learn the linguistic and cultural aspects of other states in the country covering the history, culture, language, cuisine, festivals, clothing etc.

Highlight Events :

All EBSB activities, including the EBSB Programme are conducted by this club.

How to apply :

You can fill the membership form that has been sent.

Prerequisites :

None. Anyone interested can apply.

Club Head : Ayush Tripathi (121901010@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

Mentor (Faculty) : Dr. Subhasis Mitra (smitra@iitpkd.ac.in)

EML Team

Extra Mural Lectures, or EML as we call it, are a series of lectures or sessions given by dignified personalities who are known for their extraordinary contributions in their respective fields. These are formal talks, organized specially for students to encourage dialogue over a variety of topics.

Highlight events :
- "Train 18: The first indigenous engine-less train" by *Mr. Sudhanshu Mani*
- "My life on and beyond the tracks" by *Ms. Sinimole Paulose*

Club in-charge :

This is not a club. The General Secretary oversees all the activities

How to apply :

Applications open with the new appointment of a new Student Affairs Council. So the applications will open around the end of February.

Prerequisites :

Good communication skills are required as the team members would be required to communicate with dignified personalities. An interview process may be there for selection.

EML by Dr. T. V. Sajeev on 'Anthropocene preparedness in Kerala'

EML by Mr. Sudhansu Mani

SPIC MACAY

The Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music And Culture Amongst Youth (SPIC MACAY) is a non-political nationwide voluntary movement that organizes programs of classical music and dance, folk arts, crafts, yoga, classic cinema screenings, heritage walks, etc. inside the school and college campuses throughout the world to make students more aware of the Indian and world heritage.

The SPIC MACAY chapter at IIT Palakkad started on October 23, 2017, with the idea of providing a platform for the students to admire and appreciate the beauty of Indian culture. For more details, please visit our webpage https://spicmacayiitpkd.wixsite.com/mysite.

Highlight events:
1. Sitar performance by *Pandit Shubhendra Rao*
2. Flute performance by *Pandit Ronu Majumdar*

How to apply: A Google form is already being circulated. Link to the form: https://forms.gle/ptV3mS73qjNR1RgZ9

Who can apply: Anyone who is interested can apply. No prerequisites.

Point of Contact: Raghav Tiwari (101701025@smail.iitpkd.ac.in)

The Fleet Street

Media is considered to be the people's instrument to exercise their Right to Information. Catering to the students with a platform to bolster their opinions, we at IIT Palakkad have initiated this venture called THE FLEET STREET, our very own independent student media body.

Media in England finds its roots in this very street in London – a pioneer hub of publishing and printing. The Fleet street still remains a monument when it comes to the English media. We are taking our initial step, the beginning of something which will hopefully leave a mark in the course of time, hence the name.

Highlights :

- Infographic survey and results from campus
- Special Editions - to mention a few like Inter IIT meet reviews, SAC review etc.
- Opinion Articles

How to apply :

Students from any disciple or year of study can apply (includes UG and PG students too) for the roles of :

- Correspondent
- Design team

We will send out a form soon, and the exact selection procedure.
For further clarifications, feel free to mail tfs@iitpkd.ac.in.
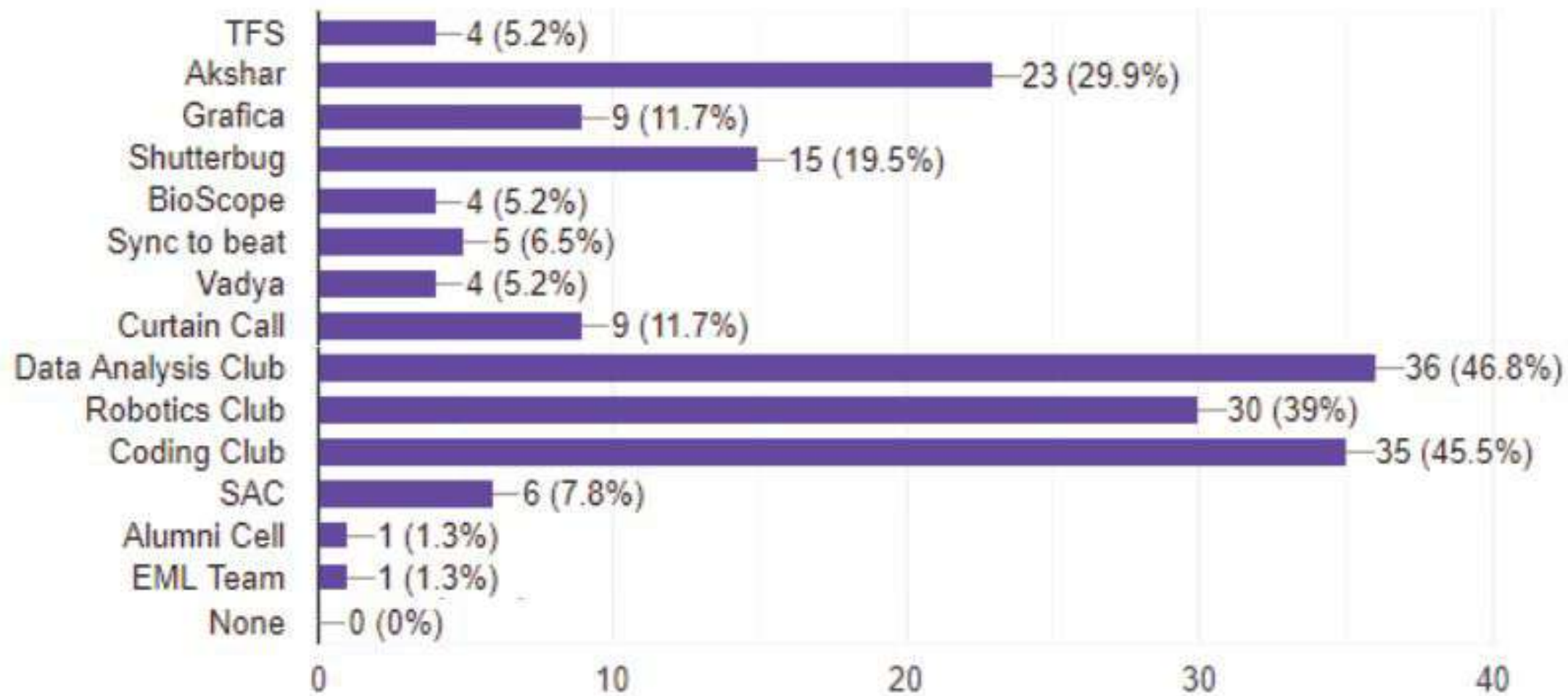
Prerequisites :

As mentioned earlier, all details will be outlined in the form. We expect those who apply to be ready to spend a couple of hours a week working on content.

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Here's what batch 2019 is upto!

Survey on Participation in
Student Bodies

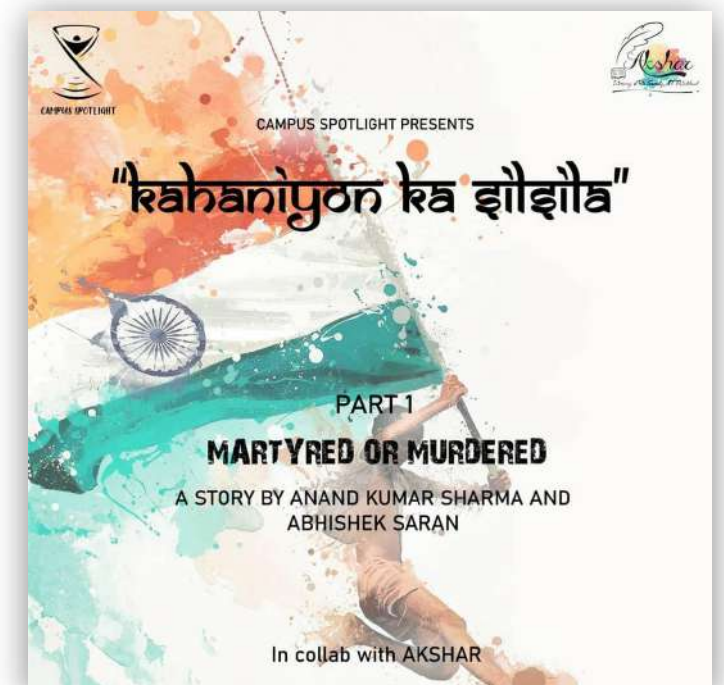| Student Body	Responses
TFS	4 (5.2%)
Akshar	23 (29.9%)
Grafica	9 (11.7%)
Shutterbug	15 (19.5%)
BioScope	4 (5.2%)
Sync to beat	5 (6.5%)
Vadya	4 (5.2%)
Curtain Call	9 (11.7%)
Data Analysis Club	36 (46.8%)
Robotics Club	30 (39%)
Coding Club	35 (45.5%)
SAC	6 (7.8%)
Alumni Cell	1 (1.3%)
EML Team	1 (1.3%)
None	0 (0%)

Stats from previous year's freshers survey (77 responses)
Survey conducted towards the end of the year by TFS

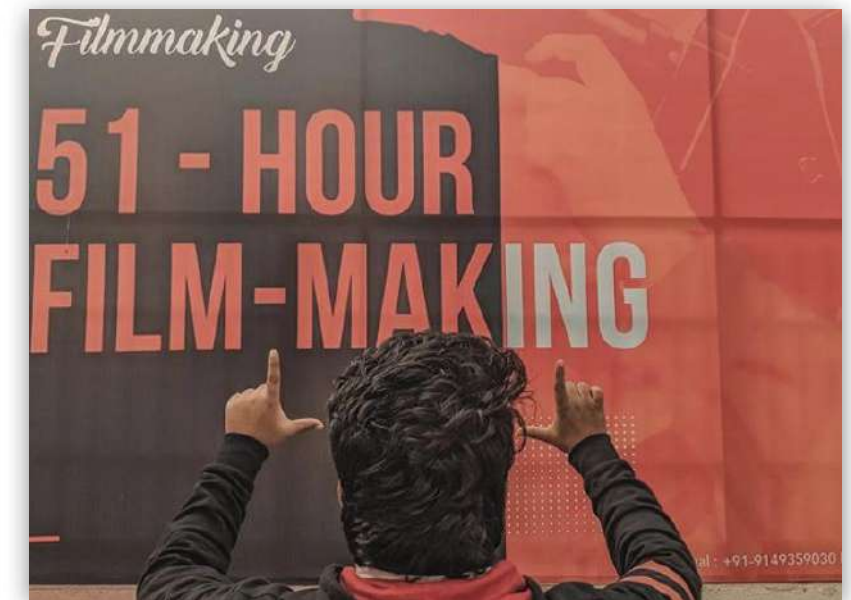SPIC MACAY Events

Campus Spotlight podcasts

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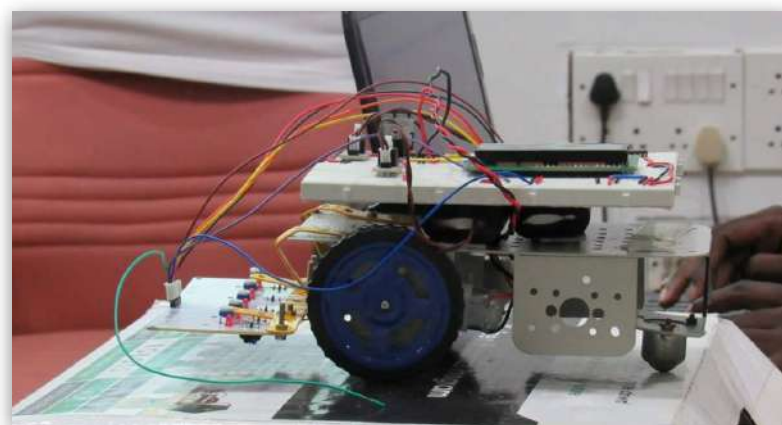RJ Talkies

Friendship day Special

Streaming on Spotify & Youtube
30th July

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTS

Dil, Dosti ki Dastaan

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"COLLEGE SHENANIGANS"

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT PRESENTS

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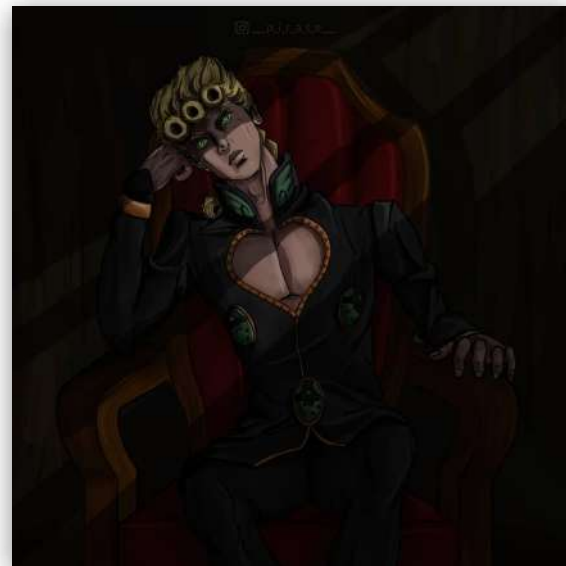
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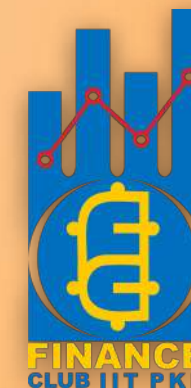
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