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## Thriving in a Shifting World: How Indian Students Can Adapt and Lead

U.S. President Donald Trump's call to limit Indian hiring in the American IT sector reflects a global trend toward protectionism. Countries like the UK, Canada, and Australia are also tightening immigration policies. For Indian students, this highlights the need to rethink career strategies that depend heavily on foreign job markets or visa-based employment.

Instead of giving up on international aspirations, students should build globally relevant, portable skills—such as AI, cybersecurity, data science, and product design—that are in high demand worldwide. These skills enable professionals to work flexibly, whether in India or remotely for global clients.

The rise of remote work opens up new avenues. Platforms like Upwork, GitHub, and Fiverr allow Indian professionals to access international work without relocating. Building a strong online portfolio, participating in global tech communities, and mastering cross-cultural communication are now key success factors.

India itself is emerging as a vibrant professional launchpad. Its robust startup ecosystem, digital infrastructure, and government initiatives like Digital India and Startup India are creating rich opportunities for innovation and entrepreneurship.

Today's students must be globally aware but locally rooted—able to adapt, lead, and

innovate regardless of geography. Trump's rhetoric serves as a reminder to embrace resilience, diversification, and intelligent career planning. The future belongs to those who can thrive with or without a visa.



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Founder & Chairman, SCMS Group of Educational Institutions



## SCMS COCHIN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

### Inauguration of PGDM Batch 34



From left: Dr Radha Thevannoor, Vice Chairman, SCMS Group; Mr. George Thomas, Chief General Manager (HR), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, Kochi; Dr. Baiju Radhakrishnan Group Director of SCMS and Dr. Indu Nair, Registrar and Group Director, SCMS.

The inauguration ceremony for PGDM Batch 34 was held on July 16, 2025, at the Seminar Hall on the SCMS Muttom Campus. The event welcomed incoming management students and their parents with great enthusiasm and ceremonial grace.

Dr. Baiju Radhakrishnan, Group Director of SCMS Group of Educational Institutions, delivered the Welcome Address, setting the tone for the occasion. Dr. Indu Nair, Registrar and Group Director, delivered the Presidential Address, inspiring students to embark on their academic journey with integrity, commitment,

and a sense of purpose.

The highlight of the ceremony was the Inaugural Address by Mr. George Thomas, Chief General Manager (HR), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, Kochi. He offered valuable insights into the evolving landscape of corporate leadership and emphasised the essential skills required for future managers.

The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. Nagaraj Shenoy, Director, SCMS Cochin School of Business, followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

### VAANI: Workshop to Promote Regional Language Learning

To encourage the use of regional languages in research and teaching within technical and management education, SCMS Cochin School of Business, in collaboration with the AICTE Training and Learning Academy (ATAL) under the VAANI initiative, conducted a three-day workshop titled "Optimizing Management Research through AI-Driven Decision Sciences Using Zero-Code Approach" from July 16 to 18.

The event was inaugurated by Dr. Baiju Radhakrishnan, Group Director of SCMS Group of Institutions, who highlighted the importance of using artificial intelligence responsibly in both academic instruction and research.

The sessions were led by the PGDM academic team—Dr. Lishin M. Joshy, Dr. Neethu Ismail, Dr. M. Sulaipher—alongside industry experts including Dr. Arunfred N., (Assistant Professor at SRM Institute of Science and Technology), Dr. Pradeep S. (Assistant Vice President, NeST Tech Corp, Cochin), Ms. Anju Sukumaran (Training Assistant, NeST Tech Corp, Cochin), and Mr. Bhadraraj R. (Group Product Manager, Dynamic Techno Chemicals, Cochin). Topics

covered included research paper development, business model restructuring, and practical applications of AI in management.

The workshop saw participation from 63 faculty members and research scholars representing colleges across Kerala. Dr. M. Sulaipher delivered the vote of thanks during the concluding session.

## Faculty Achievements

**Dr. Lishin M. Joshy, Professor, SCMS**



# SCMS SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

## Research Article Writing

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering at SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, in association with the SSET Research and Development Cell and IQAC, organised “Art of Research Article Writing” on June 30, 2025. The event aimed to equip faculty and students with effective strategies and techniques for writing impactful research articles. The session was led by Dr. Vinod P., Professor at CUSAT, who shared his expertise and practical guidance on structuring, formatting, and enhancing the quality of research manuscripts.

## ATAL Faculty Development Programme

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering at SCMS School of Engineering and Technology successfully organised a one-week AICTE-sponsored ATAL Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on the theme “Digital Forensics: Navigating the Future of Cyber Investigation” from June 23 to June 28, 2025. The six-day FDP brought together experts from academia and industry to provide participants from various Engineering Institutions across South India with a comprehensive understanding of cybercrime investigation and forensic techniques. The programme featured keynote talks, hands-on training sessions, and article-based discussions on advanced topics such as memory forensics, malware analysis, mobile forensics, forensic log analysis, digital forensics governance, and mental health management for professionals. A key highlight was the industrial visit to IIIT Kottayam, where specialized sessions on image tampering detection by Dr. S. Jai Ganesh and malware forensics by Dr. Jobin Jose enriched the learning experience. Eminent speakers, including Mr. Ankit Asokan IPS, Dr. Jithin R., and others, addressed topics like cybercrime decoding, virtual machine security, and the integration of Artificial Intelligence/

Cochin School of Business, was invited as a Resource Person for the AICTE-sponsored ATAL Faculty Development Programme (FDP), a three-day workshop on “Optimizing Management Research through AI-Driven Decision Sciences Using a Zero-Code Approach.” She delivered a session on “Research Paper Development: Strategies and Tools” on July 16, 2025, at SCMS Cochin School of Business.

Machine Learning in forensic investigations. Participants were actively engaged through research discussions on IoT forensics, AI-driven investigations, and emerging cybercrime trends such as money laundering via gaming platforms. The programme concluded with practical hands-on exercises that allowed attendees to apply their learning in realistic scenarios, equipping them with essential skills to address contemporary challenges in digital forensics and cybercrime investigation.



*Inaugural Address by Mr. Ankit Asokan IPS (S. P. Cyber Operations, Kerala Police)*

## Workshop

The Research Cell and the Department of Mechanical Engineering at SCMS School of Engineering and Technology (SSET), in collaboration with the Intellectual Property Rights Information Centre (IPRIC-K), KSCSTE, IQAC, IEDC, IPRC, and IIC, successfully conducted a one-day workshop on “Intellectual Property Rights & Patent Filing” on June 27, 2025. The event was supported by the Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (KSCSTE). The workshop was designed to create awareness among students, faculty, and innovators about the significance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), the patent filing process, and legal frameworks surrounding innovation.



*Workshop on IPR and Patent Filing*

**Dr. Neethu Ismail, Assistant Professor, SCMS Cochin School of Business,** served as a Resource Person for the AICTE-sponsored ATAL Faculty Development Programme (FDP), a three-day workshop on “Optimizing Management Research through AI-Driven Decision Sciences Using a Zero-Code Approach.” She conducted a session on “Applications of Decision Sciences in Restructuring Business Models for Enhanced Value Creation: Case Analysis” on July 16, 2025.

## Knowledge-sharing session

The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering conducted a knowledge-sharing session on “Sustainable Living – Simple Habits to Save Energy” on June 30, 2025. Coordinated by Dr. Beena Puthillath, the session was led by Ms. Priya Venugopal, Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, SSET. Aimed at promoting simple energy-saving practices for sustainable living, the interactive session covered topics like household energy use, daily conservation habits, energy-efficient tools, and community engagement. Two lab instructors and six faculty members from the department attended the program.

## Knowledge-sharing program

A knowledge sharing program on “Mastering the art of writing a review paper” was held on June 26, 2025, by Dr. Praseeja A.V., Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, Karukutty.

## Yoga Session

On June 21, 2025, the Department of Basic Science and Humanities organised a themed yoga session titled “Breathe, Stretch, Connect” for the Department faculty members. The event was conducted to promote mental clarity, physical well-being, and a sense of connectedness among the participants. Dr. Santhosh M.V., Associate Professor and Diploma holder in Yoga Teacher Training, State Resource Centre, Government of Kerala, and Ms. Reshma R., Assistant Professor, Department of Basic Science and Humanities, Habuild Yoga Member, were the mentors for the session.

## Staff Achievements

On June 18, 2025, **Mr. Mohamed Akbar V.K., Assistant Professor,** Department of Basic Science and Humanities, published a book on ‘Probability and Statistics’, Publisher: Leilani Katie Publication and Press, ISBN: 978-93-6348-997-4.



On July 4, 2025, **Mr. Rahul Ravi, Assistant Professor**, Department of Basic Science and Humanities, published an English-to-Malayalam translated book on Engineering Mathematics - I (Ganitham -I) under AICTE, published by Khanna Publishing Book Co.(P) Ltd., New Delhi.

**Dr. Varun G. Menon, Professor** in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, served as the Resource Person for the 2-Week ISTE-Approved STTP 2025 'Information Technology for Sustainability' organised by Thakur Institute of Management Studies, Career Development & Research on June 30, 2025

**Dr. Varun G. Menon, Professor** in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, served as the Resource Person for the Faculty Development Programme on Research Methodology and the Application of Generative AI in Research organised by SCMS School of Technology and Management on July 1, 2025.

On July 6, 2025, **Dr. Sindhya K. Nambiar, Associate Professor**, Department of Artificial Intelligence and Data Science, was appreciated by the SCMS Group of Educational Institutions for her contribution as the Resource Person during the FDP 2025 on Research Methodology & Application of Generative AI in Research, held on July 1, 2025 at SCMS Campus, Cochin. She successfully handled a session on Day 3 titled 'AI tools for research', enriching the participants with her expertise.

### The companies that approached to recruit B. Tech and MCA students from Batch 2025:

NMW Racing, Webyfy IoT, Schnell Pack Systems, Alodi Robotics, NCR – Atleos, Nexomira, Amazon, Consyst, Kudroli Builders and Infrastructure, Kovax Abrasives, Capabl - EV Vehicle Dynamics, Impaqtive.

## Campus of the Year 2024 Award



TINKERHUB SSET: Core team members receiving Campus of the Year (2024) award from Dr. Kailash Nadh, CTO - Zerodha.

TinkerHub SSET has been honoured with the prestigious **Campus of the Year 2024** award, standing out among 36 TinkerHub campus chapters across the state. The award was presented by Dr. Kailash Nadh, CTO of Zerodha, in recognition of the chapter's unwavering commitment to fostering innovation, collaboration, and a strong tech community on campus. This achievement is a result of the relentless passion and dedication of our student volunteers, from organising late-night hackathons to building a vibrant peer-to-peer learning culture. TinkerHub SSET has been at the forefront of making technology accessible and exciting.

## Student Achievements

A team of talented students from SCMS School of Engineering and Technology won the City Level Round of Future 5.0 organised by Yi YUVA on June 1, 2025. **K. Harinarayan** (Semester 7, Computer Science and Engineering-Artificial Intelligence) presented a solution on E-Waste Management and Recycling, and **Fuad Zaneen P.K.** (Semester 5, Computer Science and Engineering-Artificial Intelligence) addressed the issue of rising urban temperatures through Miyawaki Plantation. Their innovative ideas reflect a strong commitment to sustainability.

SCMS School of Engineering and Technology proudly recognises the active participation and commendable efforts of students, **A.B Devika, Ajith K.M, Anirudh M.S, Bhavya S. Asok and Surya**

**Kudilil** (Semester 5 Computer Science and Engineering-Artificial Intelligence) in addressing key societal challenges at the Future 5.0 Event held on July 4, 2025.

## Placement Activities in July

Placement Training for B. Tech semesters five (Batch 2023-27) and seven (Batch 2022-26) was provided from July 1 to July 18, 2025, by trainers from Niyati Training Solutions, Chennai.

## Placed Batch 2025

One B. Tech graduate from Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Batch 2021-25, received an offer from Wave Electronics Ltd.

One B. Tech graduate from Automobile Engineering, Batch 2021-25, received an offer from NMW Racing.

Two B. Tech graduates from Computer Science and Engineering, Batch 2021-25, received offers from Telestation and Impaqtive.



## SCMS SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT

## New Appointments



**Dr. J. M. Lakshmi Mahesh** assumed charge as Principal of SCMS School of Technology and Management on July 1, 2025. She joined the SCMS Group in 2007 and has since held key positions, including Head of the Department of Computer Applications and Vice Principal. Dr. Lakshmi Mahesh has contributed significantly to academic and administrative initiatives within the B.Com Department and across SSTM.



**Dr. Latha K.** has taken over as Vice Principal, also effective July 1, 2025. A member of the SCMS Group since 2013, she brings valuable experience and dedication to her new role.

We warmly welcome both leaders and extend our full support as they guide the institution toward continued growth and academic excellence.

## SSTM Welcomes New PG Students



The new postgraduate batches of M.Sc. Molecular Biology and Genetic Engineering and M.Sc. Psychology were warmly welcomed at an inaugural ceremony organised by the Department of Biotechnology and the Department of Psychology at SCMS School of Technology and Management (SSTM) on July 23, at the SCMS Muttom campus.

The event was formally inaugurated by Dr. Indu Nair, Registrar and SCMS Group Director, who encouraged students to approach their academic journey with curiosity, commitment, and enthusiasm.

Ms. K. S. Lekha, Head of the Department of Psychology, delivered the welcome address, greeting the incoming students and dignitaries. Dr. J. M. Lakshmi Mahesh, Principal of SSTM, delivered the presidential address, highlighting the pivotal role of postgraduate education in fostering research skills, critical thinking, and leadership abilities.

The ceremony concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by Dr. Latha K., Vice Principal of SSTM, who expressed her appreciation to all faculty members, staff, students, and dignitaries for their contributions in making the event a grand success.

## Faculty Development Program



A Faculty Development Program on “Research Methodology and Application of Generative AI in Research” was organised by the Department of Business Administration, from June 28 to July 1, 2025. Dr. Sreejith S., Associate Professor, Department of Legal Studies, CUSAT, Dr. Angela Susan Mathew, Professor & Associate Dean- Academics, Rajagiri Business School, Dr. Bhavya Balan Chandrika, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, CUSAT, Mr. John Joseph, Corporate Trainer, Dr. Varun G Menon, Professor & Dean, SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, Dr. Sindhya K. Nambiar, SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, Akshay Aggarwal, Managing Director, Acumen Capital Market Ltd., were the Resource Persons. Dr. Vrinda Menon, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration was the coordinator of the program.

## POSH Act Orientation

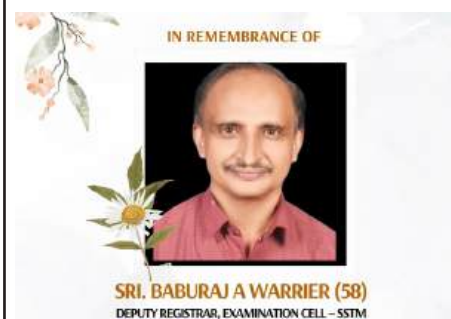


The Department of Business Administration at SCMS School of Technology and Management organized an awareness session on the Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) Act, 2013 for MBA students on July 1, 2025. Aimed at promoting a safe and respectful academic environment, the session was led by Advocate Liz Johny Arackal, a legal expert in workplace and institutional compliance.

Adv. Liz explained key provisions of the POSH Act, including definitions of sexual harassment, redressal mechanisms, and the role of Internal Complaints Committees (ICCs). Through case studies and interactive discussions, students gained valuable insights into ethical conduct, gender sensitivity, and the legal protections available under the Act.

The session concluded with an engaging Q&A, during which Adv. Liz addressed student queries, reinforcing the institution's commitment to gender equity and zero tolerance for harassment. Dr. Meera M.S., Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration, coordinated the event.

## Fond Remembrance



We deeply mourn the passing of Sri Baburaj A. Warriar (1967–2025), Deputy Registrar of the SSTM Examination Cell, who passed away on July 7, 2025. Though his tenure at SCMS was brief, he left a lasting impact through his gentle nature, sincerity, and unwavering commitment. He will be greatly missed.

## MBA Batch 21 Farewell



The farewell programme for MBA Batch 21 was held on July 11, 2025, marking the culmination of their academic journey. The warm and celebratory event brought together students, faculty, and staff to honour the achievements and memories of the graduating class.

A highlight of the evening was the vibrant cultural segment, where students showcased their talents through music, dance, and skits, adding energy and entertainment to the occasion. Faculty members and juniors shared heartfelt messages, fondly recalling shared experiences and extending their best wishes for the outgoing batch's professional journey ahead.

## Workshop: Object-Oriented Design

As part of the “Tech Talks” series, a peer teaching workshop was conducted on July 10, 2025 in Room No. 505, SCMS Building, for MCA B20 students. The session on “Object-Oriented Design - UML Diagrams, ER Diagrams” and was led by students Meera Krishna K U And Zainab Raffik Sait. Faculty coordinators Dr. Soumya K Menon and Ms. Liji Thomas guided and supported the session.

## ASAP Session: Upskilling for Work

As part of World Youth Skills Day 2025, a session titled “Upskilling for Work: Navigating



the Changing Landscape of Work” was organized on July 15, 2025, for final-year degree students of SCMS School of Technology and Management. The session was led by Ms. Sithara Sadanandan, Associate Director – Training and Delivery, ASAP Kerala, who shared valuable insights on future-ready skills. Mr. Vimal Kaviraj, Senior Business Development Manager, ETS India, also addressed the students with an orientation on TOEFL and global career opportunities.

The event was coordinated by Dr. Deepa Babu K G, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration.



### CIRCLE program by ASAP



SCMS School of Technology and Management marked World Youth Skills Day 2025 with an impactful campaign under the CIRCLE initiative of ASAP Kerala, themed “AI and GenAI in Action.” Arun K R, MBA Batch 22, was selected as the Skill Champion representing SSTM and participated in an exclusive expert-led session by Mr. Bharani Kumar D—global AI thought leader, ex-IITian, and founder of 360DigiTMG & AiSPRY.

Following the session, Arun mentored 22 Batch Mentors from various departments, who then conducted AI awareness sessions across their classes on July 15, engaging over 720 students in meaningful discussions on the power, potential, and ethical use of Artificial Intelligence.

The initiative not only celebrated youth skill development but also fostered innovation, digital readiness, and a deeper understanding of emerging technologies. The event was coordinated by Dr. Deepa Babu K G, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration.

## Prathichaya 2025



Prathichaya 2025, the annual magazine of the Department of Business Administration, was released by Dr. Radha Thevannoor, Vice Chairman, SCMS Group of Institutions, on July 11, 2025. Dr. Lakshmi Mahesh, Principal, SCMS School of Technology and Management, and Dr. Duluri S.S., Head of Department, MBA were present on the occasion.

## Faculty Publications

Dr. Sebastian Joy Panattil, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Business Administration received approval for publication of a chapter titled, “Driving Customer Engagement through Gamification” in the Scopus Indexed edited book, “Customer Engagement and Digital Business” to be published in August 2025, by Taylor and Francis.

## Tech Talk

As part of the “Tech Talks” series, a peer teaching workshop was conducted on July 3, 2025 for MCA Batch 20 students. The session on “Database Design – Data Dictionary and Normalisation” was led by students Sanjo Wilson and Nibrasul Huq K. P.

The workshop provided a platform for peer-to-peer learning, enhancing conceptual understanding through collaborative discussion. Faculty coordinators Ms. Praseetha M. S. and Ms. Remya Anand guided the session.



## International Day against Drug Abuse



The Department of Business Administration observed the International Day Against Drug Abuse on June 26, 2025, with a thought-provoking session titled “Empower and Educate the Youth: Breaking the Chains of

Drug Abuse.” Led by Dr. Vivin Abraham (Lisie Hospital) and Ms. Fabitha Sulaiman (Awake Kochi), the session highlighted the medical, psychological, and social impact of substance abuse. Through interactive discussions and real-life case studies, students were encouraged to become proactive advocates for awareness and wellness. The event reinforced the institution’s commitment to student well-being and social responsibility

## IMPACT



A two-day training session titled I.M.P.A.C.T – Integrated Modules for Placement Aptitude, Communication & Training, in association with IQAC, was held on June 24 and 25, 2025. The sessions, led by Mr. Sunny Thomas and Dr. Krishnabhasakar Mangalasserri, focused on Mastering Your First Impression and aimed to enhance students’ professional communication and self-presentation skills. For effective participation, the class was divided into two batches and the sessions were held at the Training Hall, SCMS Block.

## Reading Day Celebration



As part of the Reading Day Celebrations, the Articulate Better Club (ABC) organised a reading session titled Read & Reflect on June 19, 2025, at the SCMS Main Library. The session encouraged students to engage deeply with selected texts and express their reflections, promoting thoughtful reading habits and critical thinking.



## Faculty Development Program

**Assistant Professors Dr. Sowmya K Menon, Ms. Liji Thomas, and Ms. Remya Anand** attended a six-day ATAL Faculty Development Programme sponsored by AICTE on the topic Digital Forensics: Navigating the Future of Cyber Investigation, from June 23 to 28, 2025 at the SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, Karukutty.

**Ms. Praseetha M S, Assistant Professor** participated in two significant capacity-building programmes: a Management Development Programme (MDP) on Artificial Intelligence and Analytics for Strategic Decision Making, and a two-day Faculty Development Programme on Data Analytics and Feature Engineering, enhancing her expertise in data-driven decision-making and advanced analytical techniques.

**Ms. Liji Thomas P** completed a national-level Faculty Development Programme titled "The Magic of R Analytics using R Studio," conducted online from May 12 to June 23, 2025, by Bharathidasan Institute of Management in collaboration with 6th QResearch LLP (Research-Shoksha).

## Workshop : IT and Environment

The Department of Computer Applications, in association with IQAC and in collaboration with SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, Karukutty, organized a one-day workshop on "IT and Environment" for BCA Semester 5 students. The workshop held on June 26, 2025 at the SSET Campus, Karukutty, created awareness about the environmental impacts of information technology and the role of sustainable practices in the tech industry. It provided students with an integrated perspective on how technology and environmental consciousness can go hand-in-hand to shape a responsible digital future.



## SCMS INSTITUTE OF MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

### International Day Against Drug Abuse



## Alumni Talk

An Alumni Talk was organised on June 21, 2025, on the topic "AI Project MasterClass – From Idea to Implementation". Led by Ms. Sharafunneesa P. P., an alumna of MCA Batch 17 and currently a Data Scientist at FinOpsly, the session offered valuable insights into the practical aspects of executing AI projects, from conceptualisation to deployment.



## PTA Meeting

The Department of Computer Applications conducted a PTA meeting for BCA Batch 6 on June 21, 2025. Dr. J.M. Lakshmi Mahesh, Vice Principal, addressed the gathering, followed by one-to-one interactions between parents and faculty members to discuss students' academic progress and overall development.



## IMCA & BCA Inauguration

The Department of Computer Applications, in association with IQAC, organised the inaugural ceremony of the Integrated MCA and BCA (Hons) Programme for the academic year 2025–2026 on June 30, 2025, at the SCMS Seminar Hall. The ceremony was graced by distinguished guests Ms. Nazneen Jehangir, CEO of NeST Digital Pvt. Ltd., and Mr. Deepak Tejomaya, Director–HR at KPMG, who shared their insights on emerging industry trends and the growing relevance of integrated academic programmes in the digital age.

The event marked the beginning of a dynamic academic journey for the new batch of students, emphasizing academic excellence, industry relevance, and holistic development.



## Field Trip: Kerala Museum

As part of the Induction Program, a field trip to the Kerala Museum, Pathadipalam, was organised by the SCMS School of Technology and Management (SSTM), Muttom, on July 11, 2025. The visit aimed to provide students with cultural exposure and historical insights beyond the classroom. A total of 45 students from BCA Batch 7 Semester 1 participated in the educational trip, accompanied by faculty members Ms. Remya Anand and Ms. Praseetha M S. The visit offered an enriching experience, allowing students to engage with Kerala's rich artistic and historical heritage in an interactive and inspiring environment.



## World Youth Skill Day

The Department of Computer Engineering, in association with the ASAP (Additional Skill Acquisition Programme) Committee, SIMS, organized the World Youth Skills Day celebration on July 15, 2025.

The event highlighted the importance of skill development, and Artificial Intelligence. Mr. Sunil K. K., HOD (I/C), Mechanical Engineering and ASAP Coordinator, SIMS, delivered the welcome address. Mr. Praveen Kumar K. S., HOD (I/C), Computer Technology, proposed the vote of thanks.





## Workshop on AI & Machine Learning

The Department of Computer Engineering organized a two-day workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning on July 17 and 18, 2025, at the Computer Lab. Thirty-eight students from the 3rd and 5th semesters of the

Computer Engineering Department actively participated in the sessions.

The workshop was inaugurated by Campus Director Prof. Baby P. P. and coordinated by Mr. Praveen Kumar K. S., with the full support of faculty members Ms. Blessy Sebastian, Ms. Dhanya Sree M. S., and Ms. Christeena Varghese.

Ms. Swarna Babu, the resource person from GP3 Cloud Innovations Pvt. Ltd., Kochi, conducted insightful sessions on the core concepts and tools of AI and Machine Learning. The workshop featured hands-on training, real-

world applications, and discussions on current trends in AI.

The event proved to be a valuable learning experience, effectively bridging academic learning with industry-relevant skills.



## SCMS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

### International Day of Yoga



*Students participating in the yoga session*  
SCMS School of Architecture celebrated International Yoga Day on June 21, 2025, as part of the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) programme. A special yoga session was conducted for faculty members and students, aiming to promote physical and mental well-being while encouraging the integration of yoga into daily life.

Mrs. Niya Suku, Physical Training Instructor at SSA, led the session, guiding participants through a series of asanas, breathing techniques, and meditation practices. She emphasized the importance of consistency and mindfulness for overall wellness.

### Interactive Session for B Arch Aspirants

The Department of Architecture organized

an engaging interactive session for B. Arch aspirants on the July 4, 2025. Ar. Roy Antony, Ar. John Kuruvilla and Ar. Anil Ravindranathan led the introductory session with an insightful introduction to the field of architecture. They offered perspectives on architectural education, the scope of professional practice, and the creative path of becoming an architect.

This was followed by a series of interactive and hands-on activities allowing them to gain a deeper understanding of the curriculum, studio culture, and the overall academic environment at SCMS School of Architecture



### Faculty Development Program

Assistant Professors Ms. Sruthy George and Ms. Betty Maria Chacko from SCMS School of Architecture (SSA) participated in the Offline

Faculty Development Program on "Research Methodology and Application of Generative AI in Research," organised by SCMS Cochin School of Business from June 28 to July 1, 2025.

The program provided valuable insights into contemporary research practices and the evolving role of Generative AI in academic and applied research, contributing to the professional development and academic enrichment of the participating faculty members.

### Faculty Achievements

- **Ar. Ajay Abey and Ar. Tara Pandala** featured among the 100 distinguished architectural practices across Kerala as part of the Indian Institute of Architects (IIA) Kerala State Convention 2025.
- **Dr. Ranjini Bhattathiripad T, Ar. Ajay Abey and Ar. Tara Pandala** attended the Indian Institute of Architects Kerala State Convention, 2025, hosted by the Thrissur centre on June 21, 2025. The event had interactive sessions, workshops and exhibitions.
- **Dr. Ranjini Bhattathiripad T** attended the Academic Council Meeting of CUSAT on June 26, 2025, in her capacity as the Dean, Faculty of Architecture.



## SCMS INSTITUTE FOR ROAD SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION

### Corrective Training for Drivers



To enhance road safety and rehabilitate accident offenders, the SCMS Institute for Road Safety and Transportation (SiRST), in collaboration with IDTR Kerala, organised two corrective training program sessions from June 23 to 27 and July 7 to 11. Held at SCMS School of Engineering and Technology, the batches saw the active participation of 48 individuals



who received hands-on training through interactive sessions, workshops, and practical demonstrations, guided by various internal and external resource persons. The training focused on comprehensive aspects of driving safety, accident prevention, and responsible driving practices. This initiative has helped foster safer driving behavior and reduce road accidents in Kerala.

## SurakshitMarg (2.0) Moderators Training

An orientation program for the moderators nominated for Surakshit Marg 2.0 (2025) was conducted on June 26, 2025. A total of 50 nominated moderators from various departments of the SCMS School of Engineering and Technology participated in the orientation program.

Mr. Koshy P Joseph, Assistant Professor and Project Coordinator and Mr. Rajesh K B, Deputy Coordinator for Surakshit Marg 2.0 (2025) led the program that included inputs from Mr. Nikhil Ashok, Project Coordinator for Phase I of Surakshit Marg. Ms Divya M S, Assistant Professor, BS&H Department, shared her experiences as a moderator. Mr. Adarsakumar Nair, Director, SiRST also provided insights on the previous phase of Surakshit Marg.



## Road Safety Awareness: Vidyodaya School

SCMS Institute for Road Safety and Transportation (SiRST) conducted a road safety awareness session on behavioral aspects of driving for staff and students of Vidyodaya School, Thevakkal, Ernakulam on July 1, 2025. Mr. Sujay K (Assistant Professor, AUD, SSET) conducted the training session regarding the aspects of road safety and its importance in life.



## Know Your Vehicle Program: Government Oriental Higher Secondary School

Organised by SiRST in association with the Kissan Service Society (KSS), Perumudiyur Unit, a half-day Defensive Driving & Know Your Vehicle Program was held at Government Oriental Higher Secondary School, Perumudiyur, on 18 July 2025.

The sessions were led by Mr. Sujay K (Assistant Professor, AU), Mr. Nikhil Asok, and Mr. Deepak Xavier (Assistant Professor, ME), and saw the enthusiastic participation of 350 attendees.



## Road Safety Awareness : UST Healthproof Employees

The SCMS Institute for Road Safety and Transportation (SiRST), in association with UST Healthproof, conducted a Road Safety Awareness Session for UST Healthproof employees at Illickal Kallu on July 19, 2025.

The event commenced with a bike rally from Ernakulam to Illickal Kallu, symbolizing the importance of safe riding practices. Mr. Sujay K (Assistant Professor, AU) addressed the participants—15 in total—on key aspects of road safety and responsible driving.

The initiative aimed to promote a culture of road safety among employees through experiential learning and active engagement.

## Participation: International Road Federation

Mr. Prathik Nayar, Director of SCMS Group, presented the ongoing activities of SiRST (virtually) at the General Assembly of the International Road Federation held in Athens. Mr. Adarsakumar G. Nair, Director of SiRST, also participated in the meeting.

## SiRST Research Hub Initiative

SiRST is actively supporting the Research Hub Initiative of the Institute of Drivers Training and Research (IDTR), contributing to the advancement of road safety and transportation studies.

## Interaction: Motor Vehicle Department

Dr. Radha Thevannoor, Vice Chairman of the SCMS Group, inaugurated the Zonal Conference and Sports Meet of the Motor Vehicle Department, Kerala, and presided over the prize distribution ceremony. SiRST's activities and contributions were showcased during the event.

## Participation: PIARC Noise Mitigation Project

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