Message from the Issue Editor

Dear Readers,

We live in the edge of technology where everything is changing rapidly. As teachers, we have social responsibility towards the society; we are creating the future generation for today and for tomorrow. Though we are confined by health and time, we should always give our best to our students.

We ought to remember that we are dealing with 21st century students and they are different in all forms of learning and understanding; their learning is no longer confined to the four-walled education; they are equipped with the knowledge of the virtual and digital world where with one click of the mouse, they get information about any subject.

It is high time for teachers to think out of the box to solve students’ analytical problems by redefining the need. In this context, the teachers need to infuse students with:

- core knowledge and prepare them for today’s world
- digital literacy as well as civic responsibility
- creativity, communication, and collaboration

Virtual tools and distance learning create borderless learning territories for students of all ages, anytime and anywhere. And as, e-learning is already booming in India, it is high time for educators to adapt new teaching methodologies for continuity or change - To see change, we need to change.

We need to remember that teaching is the one profession that creates all other professions.

Twenty first century educational institutions need to deeply review else we are creating modern fools who know everything but also nothing, in terms of civic responsibility. However, I can conclude that ICFAI University Nagaland, from my perspective, never compromise on quality.
education. It is endowed with a curriculum containing the latest areas of study with yearly reviews on it. And as part of this educational institution, I see it imparting, transforming and enhancing the knowledge of the students in particular, and creating positive social output.

Mr. Kamal Hussain
Lecturer
Department of IT & Mathematics
ICFAI University Nagaland

...
**Campus News**

**End Semester Examinations:** The *End Semester Examinations* for the first half of this academic year started from the 4th of May 2015. Students, Faculties and Support Staff were busy with the procedures and proper conduction of the same. The examination concluded on the 18th of May, 2015. External Examiners from National Institute of Technology, Nagaland were invited for conducting the practical examinations of the BCA program.

**PhD Concept Paper Presentation:** The university saw the first batch of its’ PhD scholars presenting their concept papers. All the ten research scholars presented their concept papers during the 18th and the 19th of May 2015. The presentation was conducted in the presence of Dr. V. R. K. Prasad, Vice Chancellor (through phone/video conferencing), Dr. C. P.
Alexander, Pro Vice Chancellor and other experts both from the university and from other prominent institutions, such as – Dr. R. K. Behera, Dean (Social Sciences) and Dr. Jyoti George Roy, Vice Principal both from Patkai Christian College (Autonomous), Dimapur, Dr. Haren Goowalla, Mariani College, Jorhat and Dr. Tabassum Khan, Assistant Professor, Unity College, Dimapur. The Internal Experts were - Dr. Resenmenla Longchar, Assistant Professor & HoD (Dept. of History) and Dr. Salome Kinny, Assistant Professor (Dept. Of English), respectively.

**Meeting of the Vice Chancellor with Heads:** A comprehensive meeting was held on the 20th of May 2015 between Dr. V. R. K. Prasad, Vice Chancellor of the university and the respective Heads of the various Departments and Administrative Sections of the university.

***
Great Expectations (A Graphic Novel) – Part 1

Ms. Tensurenla Ozukum, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English

This graphic novel is the outcome of a class project which was conducted as part of the internal assessment for a course titled ‘Fiction from Richardson to Hardy’ in the MA (English) class. For this project, the class was divided into eight groups and was assigned different tasks based on the text "Great Expectations" by the Victorian novelist, Charles Dickens.

One of the groups was assigned to create a comic book based on fifteen important incidents found in the novel. They were very creative and delivered a presentation using these comic panels involving events and incidents which Pip, the protagonist undergoes and overcomes as he attains adulthood.

Here is a short summary of the novel:

Great Expectations is the coming of age story about Philip Pirrip, otherwise known as Pip. The novel is narrated by Pip, a young orphan who seeks to become a gentleman in order to earn the love of the beautiful but cold hearted Estella. Estella has been adopted by the rich but strange lady Miss Havisham to seek revenge on men. With the help from a mysterious benefactor, Pip leaves his country home in Kent for London to become a fine young gentleman. In the process, he distances himself from the coarse life and upbringing of which Estella has made him ashamed. Eventually, Pip redeems himself and the novel ends with Pip as a matured and chastened individual.
Incident 1: Pip and the Mysterious Man.

One evening while Pip was visiting his parents' grave, a convict appeared before him.

"Please leave me alone!"

"Be quiet boy and bring me a file and some wittles."

If you disobey one I will cut your heart and liver. Now run along before. The others blood thirsty mam says it much worse than me turning up.

Pip got so frightened that he ran home without stopping. After returning home, he finds pork pie, brandy, home bread, mince meat and a meat bone.
Some Amusing Thoughts

Mr. Inreutube, MBA 2nd Semester

The Bank Account

Imagine that there is a bank, which credits your account each morning with Rupees 86,400. This account cancels that part of the total amount which you have failed to use during the day, leaving you with no cash at the end of the each day. In such a situation, what will you do? Draw out every rupee? Of course. Well, everyone has such a bank. Its name is ‘Time’. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds and every night it writes off as lost whatever amount of this time you have failed to invest for good purpose. It carries over no balance and allows no overdraft.

Each day the account opens with the same amount. If you fail to use the day’s credit, the loss is yours. So, we should make the best use of this credit given to us every day.

The Bumble Bee

According to scientists, the bumble bee’s body is too heavy and its wingspan is too small. Therefore, it cannot fly. But, the bumble bee does not know that and so it keeps flying.

When we do not know our limitations, we go out and surprise ourselves. Most of the limitations that a person thinks he has are self-imposed. We should not let ourselves be restricted by limitations.

***
Towards an Intelligent Web

Mr. Akshay Rai, BCA 6th Semester

In this information age where revolutionary concepts such as – Digital Connectedness, Internet of Things, etc. rules the roost, the Internet and its underlying technologies are pacing ahead at a tremendously rapid rate.

The Internet has really changed the way people live and work. During the initial days, the Internet was accessible as a CLI (command line interface) without any graphics and sound. Browsing and downloads were done using commands.

Later on, the graphical components such as images, videos and sound were added and the Web 1.0 was born. Web 1.0 mainly consisted of web pages having static content, i.e. contents which were permanent and never or hardly changed over time. Along with the introduction of the web, the demand for higher speeds also increased. Likewise networking and communication hardware required for this demand kept up the pace.

With the changing times and changing demands, the Web 2.0 came. It provides interactive contents, dynamic web pages, and other enhanced features. This was another major direction towards the enhancement of the web. Speeds of accessing (downloads and uploads) increased to Gbps (Gigabits per second) which is roughly - millions of bits per second.

The future will bring to us the Web 3.0, which will contain some level of intelligence. This fully customized web will enhance our experience of the Internet in various ways. One being, its understanding of human behaviour and consequent production of customized browsing results based on query. For instance, the browsing results provided to one user’s query may not be same as that provided to another one even if the original query put by both the users were exactly the same. The results will be based on the user’s requirements and context. That is intelligent web.

...
“Precious Water, Priceless Life”

Photograph taken and contributed by - Mr. Hamidul Islam. BA 4th Semester.
The Editorial Board

Advisors

Dr. V. R. K. Prasad, Vice Chancellor, Icfai University Nagaland (IUN)

Dr. C. P. Alexander, Professor & Pro-Vice Chancellor, IUN

Editor-in-Chief & Technical Advisor

Mr. Rupanka Bhuyan, Assistant Professor & HoD, Dept. of IT & Mathematics, IUN

Editor

Dr. Kevizonuo Kuolie, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English & Soft Skills, IUN

Content Reviewers

Ms. Azono Khatso, Assistant Professor & HoD, Dept. of English & Soft Skills, IUN

Ms. Wapangsenla Imchen, Senior Assistant Professor & HoD, Dept. of Management, IUN

Mr. Sumanta Mahapatra, Assistant Professor & HoD, Dept. of Economics, IUN

Mr. Oinam Bhopen Singh, Senior Lecturer, Dept. of IT & Mathematics, IUN

Mr. Ajay Chakraborty, Lecturer, Dept. of Finance, IUN

Ms. Chonbeni Jami, Student Adviser, IUN

Art, Design & Layout

Rupanka Bhuyan

Student Members

Mr. Tato Swu, BCA 4th Semester (Photographer)

Mr. Hamidul Islam, BA 4th Semester (Photographer)

Ms. Lochumbeni M Erui, MBA 4th Semester

TAPASYA "...a quest for knowledge...", is a monthly e-magazine, published by Mr. Rupanka Bhuyan on behalf of Icfai University Nagaland (IUN), 6th Mile, Sovima, Dimapur, Nagaland - 797112. The e-magazine is meant for private, internal and limited circulation only, with no commercial objective(s), whatsoever. The ideas, views and opinions, expressed in this e-magazine by the various authors are solely their own, and the Editorial Board does not in any way take responsibility for the same. Materials intended for publication in this e-magazine should be submitted to the Department of IT & Mathematics (DoIT&M), IUN or emailed to tapasya@iunagaland.edu.in within the 20th of the month.

Copying, using and dissemination of any of the materials in this e-magazine, either in part or in whole, in any form, is not permitted without prior and written permission from the editor(s).