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■ Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet

K K Wagh Institute of Engineering Education and Research proudly celebrated its Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet on 4th April 2026, marking 25 years of academic excellence and alumni achievements. More than 60 alumni from various engineering departments across the country gathered to reconnect with their alma mater, faculty members, and classmates. The event was inaugurated by Director Dr. K. N. Nandurkar and Shri Ajinkya Wagh, who highlighted the institute's remarkable growth and the contributions of alumni in industry, research, and entrepreneurship. Distinguished alumni shared their experiences and valuable suggestions for the institute's future development. A major highlight of the meet was the announcement of new alumni initiatives, including scholarships and support for innovative student projects. The celebration concluded with a networking lunch, strengthening the bond between the institute and its alumni.



Gimbles of Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet

■ Grandmaster Pravin Thipsay: Inspiring Lecture on Chess Talent Development

K. K. Institute of Engineering Education and Research organized the 24th lecture in memory of Late Hon. Balasaheb Wagh (Bhau) on 7th April 2026 at Kurtakoti Shankacharya Nyas Auditorium, Gangapur Road Nashik. The keynote lecture on the topic "बुद्धिबलप्रतिभेचाशोध - **The Search for Chess Talent**" was delivered by renowned chess player and Arjuna Awardee Grandmaster Pravin Thipsay. Addressing the audience, Grandmaster Thipsay emphasized that chess is not merely a game but a science that requires analytical thinking, creativity, discipline, and continuous practice. He explained various nuances of chess and highlighted that while modern technology has made learning chess easier, a player's concentration, imagination, and strategic thinking remain crucial during actual gameplay. He also stressed the importance of identifying and nurturing sporting talent among children at an early age. He encouraged parents to recognize their children's intellectual and sporting abilities and provide proper guidance and opportunities for growth. The program was chaired by Mr. Vinay Bele, President of the Nashik District Chess Association, who spoke about the progress of chess players in Nashik. Trustees of the K. K. Wagh Education society, Mrs. Shakuntalatai Wagh, Public Relations Director Mr. Ajinkya Wagh, principals of various colleges, sports teachers, students, parents, and chess enthusiasts attended the event in large numbers.



Felicitatation of Pravin Thipsay

■ Mahatma Phule Jayanti

Kusumagraj Central Library celebrated Mahatma Phule Jayanti on 11th April 2026. The program was attended by Director Dr. K. N. Nandurkar, Academic Dean Dr. S. Y. Kute, library staff, and students. Dr. Kute explained the work carried out by Mahatma Phule for the upliftment of society.



Celebration of Mahatma Phule Jayanti at K K Wagh Library

■ Dr. Bharat Maheshwari Invited as Speaker at UN CPD 59



Dr. Bharat Maheshwari

It is a matter of great pride that Dr. Bharat Maheshwari, (University of Windsor, Canada) associated as an adjunct faculty member with the Department of Management Studies of K K Wagh Institute of Engineering Education and Research, was invited to speak at UN Commission on Population and Development (CPD) 59 on 16th April 2026. During the event, he presented the concept of creating a live laboratory during the Kumbh Mela, aimed at bringing together Indian and international institutions to study the multidisciplinary challenges of the massive temporary city formed for millions of pilgrims.

■ Workshop on Creative Minds to Innovative Designs: From Ideas to Reality

The Department of MCA, in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Council, organized a workshop on World Creativity and Innovation Day on 21st April 2026 at K K Wagh Institute of Engineering Education and Research, Nashik. The workshop, themed **"Creative Minds to Innovative Designs: From Ideas to Reality,"** aimed to promote creativity, innovation, and design thinking among students. Dr. Sunil Kute delivered an expert talk on creativity and innovation in engineering, while Ms. Rina Pandhi conducted a hands-on Lippman Art session. The workshop witnessed enthusiastic student participation and provided an engaging platform for creativity-driven learning.



Glimpses of Workshop on Creative Minds

■ World Book Day

On 23rd April 2026, World Book Day was celebrated at Kusumagraj Central Library to mark the birth anniversary of William Shakespeare. The library organized MCQ Quiz Competition and a Book Exhibition to promote reading habits and literary awareness among students. Around 34 staff members and students enthusiastically participated in the activities. The event was attended by Director Dr. K. N. Nandurkar, Academic Dean Dr. S. Y. Kute, library staff, and students, and concluded successfully by inspiring students towards reading and lifelong learning.



World Book Day Celebration

■ TechXplore 2026 – National Student Innovation Conference

The SPARK Club of the E&TC Department at K.K. Wagh Institute of Engineering Education & Research, Nashik, successfully organized TechXplore 2026 – National Student Innovation Conference on 24th Apr 2026. The event served as a dynamic platform for students to explore semiconductor technologies, present research papers, and gain industry-oriented exposure. The conference witnessed enthusiastic participation from student teams across Maharashtra, with research presentations conducted in both online and offline modes, ensuring wider accessibility and engagement. Distinguished guests from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, along with academic leaders and faculty members, graced the occasion and encouraged young innovators. TechXplore 2026 effectively promoted innovation, collaboration, and research excellence, paving the way for future advancements and achievements.



TechXplore 2026 – National Student Innovation Conference

■ DBMS Mini Project Competition

The Computer Society of India (CSI) Student Chapter, in collaboration with the Department of Artificial Intelligence & Data Science at K K Wagh Institute of Engineering Education and Research, successfully organized the DBMS Mini Project Competition on 22nd April 2026. The event encouraged innovation, teamwork, and practical learning through database-driven projects. Distinguished judges Mr. Tejas Uphade and Mrs. Vidya Waghchoure evaluated the projects based on innovation, database design, and presentation skills. Projects such as CampusPulse, Testforge – Smart Testing Platform, and CHANAKYA GRID received top ranks, while the event concluded successfully with enthusiastic student participation and faculty support.



Mini Project Competition conducted by AIDS dept

■ Master Students' Program 2025-26

The ISTE Students' Chapter of K. K. Wagh Institute of Engineering Education and Research successfully organized the Master Students' Program 2025-26 on 25th April 2026 in the MCA Seminar Hall. The event was graced by the presence of Director, Dr. K. N. Nandurkar, Prof. P. K. Shahababdkar and Prof. P. B. Ranade. The program featured insightful presentations by students on diverse and innovative topics under the theme "Engineers' Gnosis." Chief Guest Mr. Rajesh Bhope (VP Alcon & Alumnus of institute) motivated students by emphasizing the importance of bridging the gap between academics and industry to become corporate-ready professionals. The event provided an excellent platform for students to enhance their presentation, communication, and professional skills.



Participants for Master's Students Program 2025-26

■ Visit to Raisoni College Pune

Dr. K. N. Nandurkar, Dr. P. J. Pawar, Dr. P. B. Kushare, and Dr. A. S. Patil visited Raisoni College of Engineering and Management, Pune, on 27th April 2026 in connection with Tier-I NBA preparations for various programs of our institute. During the visit, the KKW team reviewed the Tier-I NBA documentation prepared by the Mechanical Engineering Department of GHRCEM, Pune, for their recent NBA visit and discussed various related aspects with their team. The GHRCEM team headed by Dr. R. D. Kharadkar (Director, GHRCEM), along with Dr. Nagnath Hulle, Dr. Nitin Korde, Dr. Arun Thakare, and other staff members of GHRCEM, Pune welcomed the delegation & interacted in very courteous manner to explain the new format of NBA.



Visit to Raisoni College Pune

■ Congratulations

E & TC Department Team Spirit secured Rank 1 in the Automation and Smart Systems category at Ulectro'26, organized by NMIMS on April 13–14th, 2026. The team was also awarded a cash prize of ₹50,000. The winning team - Atharva Mayekar, Kanaad Buwa, Harshwardhan Shah, Pranotee Pabale, and Srushti Kothawade - developed an innovative project titled "Accident Detection and Alert System for Two-Wheeler," aimed at enhancing rider safety through real-time detection and instant alerts.



Members of Team Spirit

E & TC Department Team Pixel Minds achieved remarkable success by securing 1st place at “UNPLUGGED – A 24-Hour Hardware Hackathon”, organized by Dwarkadas J. Sanghvi College of Engineering on April 11-12, 2026. The team also earned a cash prize of ₹25,000. The winning team members include Abhishek Ahirrao, Sagar Sahu, Ishaan Narakesari, Tanvi Thakare, Vaishnavi Pawar, and Aakanksha S.



Members of Pixel Mindsteam

■ Chemical Engineering Team Secures Top Honors at Innofest and Innovation 2026

Team Hydroguardians, comprising second-year Chemical Engineering students Shubham Ingale, Tarunya Patil, Nandini Ahirrao, and Moksh Panchal, under the guidance of Dr. S. N. Jain, secured 1st Prize at LVH Innofest 2026 on 24th April 2026, winning ₹11,000 for their project “Smart Soil Health Analyzer and Organic Soil Supplements (Crop Veda).” The team also secured 1st Prize in the Hardware Category at Innovation 2026, organized by MKSSS’s Cummins College of Engineering for Women, winning ₹15,000. Additionally, third-year Chemical Engineering students Gaurav Kombade, Samidha Tidake, Aarti Taskar, and Navnath Sabale secured 2nd Prize at LVH Innofest 2026 in the Science and Technology category for their project “Organic Room Freshener from Nirmalya Waste,” winning ₹2,100 under the guidance of Dr. G. B. Daware. Principal Dr. K. N. Nandurkar appreciated and congratulated both teams for their achievements.



Chemical Engineering student's achievements

■ AIDS Students Achieve Success in National Hackathons

AIDS students Mr. Tejas Badgujar and Mr. Tushar Chote secured 2nd prize along with a cash prize of ₹30,000 in SUNHACKS-2026, an International Agentic AI Hackathon organized by the School of Computer Science and Engineering, Sandip University, held from 9th to 11th April 2026. They also secured 2nd prize in Codesphere 2.0 – Tech-Carvaan 2026 Hackathon organized by the Government College and Jain Valley.



SUNHACKS-2026 Winners



Prize Winners at Codesphere 2.0 – Tech-Carvaan 2026



■ **Expert Lecture / Seminar / Courses/ Workshop Conducted :-**

Computer Engineering organized following informative events

- An expert talk on "Smart Coding in Java: Managing Errors and Multiple Tasks" by Sunil Joshi, Chief Technical Officer, R3 Systems India Private Limited, Nashik on 07th April 2026.
- An expert talk on "Software Testing in Industries: Current Scenario" by Ms. Bhagyashri Jadhav, QA Head, Axelbuzz Tech Solutions, Nashik. on 25th April 2026.

The Mechanical Engineering organized following informative events.

- An expert talk on "Introduction to Harmonic Gears" by Mr. Mahendra B. Alai, FOX Solutions Nashik on 10th April 2026
- An expert talk on "Career opportunities in Engg Industry as CAD CAM CAE" by Santosh Rahatal& Sandeep Kotwal, Access Cadd Total Design Solution on 16th April 2026
- An expert talk on "Battery System BMS Model study" by Abhishek Srivastav, Merin John, Electrical Engineering Staff of KKWIEER on 20th April 2026.

Electrical Engineering Department organized following informative event.

- Expert session on "Indian Power Distribution: Current Scenario and Future of Distribution" by Mr. Amit K. Jaiswal, MPSL (Subsidiary of CESC), Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, on 25th April 2026.
- Expert session on "Transients in Electrical Networks" by Mr. Ashok Jain, Retired Professor, KKWIEER, Nashik on 27th April 2026.
- Expert session on "Energy Conservation in Air conditioning unit" by Mr. Shyam S. Tayade, Production Engineer, Bluestar HVAC, Nashik, on 27th April 2026.
- Expert session on "Type Testing of Switchgear" by Mr. Rahul Patil, General Manager (R & D), CG Power and Industrial Solutions Ltd. Nashik, On 16th April 2026.

Computer Science & Design Department organized following informative events

- An Expert Lecture on "Advanced Payment Architecture and Design Patterns" by Ankita Deshmukh, FORSTU Pune on 04th April 2026.
- The Department of Computer Science and Design (CSD) organized a five-day "Research Arena" in both online and offline modes to enhance students' research awareness and technical knowledge. The program included expert sessions such as "R&D Excellence and Initiatives at KKWIEER, Nashik" by

Dr. R. K. Munje, Dean, R&D, K. K. Wagh Institute of Engineering Education and Research, on 15th April 2026; a session on research paper reading and analysis by Dr. S. N. Kakarwal, ICEEM, Sambhajinagar, and Dr. Pratibha Yalagi, Walchand College of Engineering; and a session on research paper writing by Dr. Priya Shelke from Vishwakarma Institute of Technology. Mr. Chetan Pagar, Business Analyst at CRIF, Pune, also conducted a session on LaTeX and professional report writing.

- Expert Lecture on "Java Programming: Fundamental to Enterprise Solutions" by Rohini Bhadane, GEP Worldwide Mumbai Maharashtra on 23rd April 2026.

Department of Information Technology organized the following expert talks.

- An expert talk on "Web Development: Micro services System Architectural Decision" by Mr. Ghanshyam S. Patil, Software Developer, Wipro, Pune on 18th April 2026.
- An expert talk on "Data Science and Big Data: Apache" by Mr. Mayur Mahale, Principal Bigdata Engineer, Qualys Inc. Pune on 20th April 2026.
- An expert talk on "Cyber Security Awareness" by Adv. Ms. Swarada V. Kabnurkar, Director at White Band Association, Nashik on 25th April 2026.

Artificial Intelligence & Data Science Department organized following informative event.

- An expert's talk on "Building Careers Beyond Development: Product Management and the Rise of AI" by Mr. Amol Baviskar Vice President of Product Management, Conga San Francisco Bay Area, California on 20th April 2026.

Robotics & Automation Department organized following informative events.

- An expert's talk on "Future Technologies in Robot Design" by Mr. Satish Maniyar (CEO, TechnoCAD, Nashik) on 1st April 2026
- An expert's talk on "Research Project in DRDO" by Mr. Dinesh Bhujbal (Additional Director, VRDE, Ahilyanagar) on 23rd April 2026.

Chemical Engineering Department organized following informative events.

- An expert talk on "Manufacturing of H₂SO₄ using Haber Process" by Prof. V. G. Pangarkar, Ex-Professor, Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai on 7th April 2026.
- An expert talk on "Smart Process Control: Enhancing Efficiency through Automation" by Ms. Saloni Panchal, Alumni, Emerson Measurement Systems and Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Pune, on 11th April 2026.



MBA Department organized following informative events.

- An Expert session on Campus to Corporate Program Session by Dr. Shridhar Rajpathak Director Garware Technicals Pvt. Ltd Nashik on 11th April 2026.
- Two Expert sessions on "Campus to Corporate Program" by Shri Jayant Sathe, Director IUCEE on 15th and 18th April 2026.
- An Expert session on "AI Tools for Sales Prospecting & Outreach" by Ms. Sushmita Walve, International Consultant and Advisor Walve Solutions – Global: USA, EMEA, Asia etc. on 09th April 2026.
- An Expert session on "Strategic Marketing" by Mr. Gyanesh Kumar Verma, Director Cherry Berry Communication Nashik on 18th April 2026.
- An Expert session on "Operating Excellence in MSMEs" by Mr. Yogesh Deshpande Director, D'mastru Pvt. Ltd. Nashik on 11th April 2026.

MCA Department organized following informative events.

- Expert session on "Industry-Oriented web development from: Learning to Earning" by Akhil Ise, Software Developer, Techxot, Nashik, on 18th April 2026.
- Expert session on "Automation in Pharmaceutical Industry: Role of Databases in Ensuring Quality and Compliance" by "Ketan Bagade" Founder, ORKID Chemist, Mumbai, on 24th April 2026.
- Expert session on "Exploring laravel framework for modern web engineering" by "Rishi Kadlak" Software Developer, Robot Technologies, on 24th April 2026.

■ Expert Lecture / Seminar / Courses / Workshop Attended: -

- Head of Information Technology, Prof. Dr. Preeti Bhamre successfully completed the oneweek online Faculty Development Program on "Integrating Machine Learning and AI for Scalable IoT Solutions", held from 13th to 17th April 2026, organized by the Department of Computer Science & Engineering (Artificial Intelligence), Vishwakarma Institute of Technology in association with IEEE Consumer Technology Society (CTSoc Pune Chapter).
- CSD department staff Prof. Vrushali P. Channe successfully completed certification in "AI Tools" was by organized be10X on 5th April 2025. Prof N. H. Gaidhanis successfully participated in the Faculty Development Program titled "Hands-on Ethical Hacking, OSINT and Penetration Testing" was organised by Jyothi Engineering College Thrissur Kerala India with associate with ISTE from 6th April to 11th April 2026.

■ Industrial Visits organized by Department for Students during January 2026

Sr. No.	Department	Class	Name of Company	Date
1.	Electrical	TY (Div A&B)	Water Treatment Plant, Nilgiri Baag, Panchavati, Nashik	07/04/2026
2.	Electrical	TY (Div A&B)	Advent Engineers, Nashik	07/04/2026
3.	Electrical	TY (Div A&B)	Lucy Electric, Nashik	09/04/2026
4.	Electrical	TY (Div A&B)	TDK India Private Limited	24/04/2026
5.	Chemical	TY	Advanced Enzyme Technology Ltd., Sinner	11/04/2026
6.	Chemical	TY	Galaxy Surfactant Taloja	14/04/2026
7.	Robotics & Automation	TY	Track Components Pvt. Ltd., MIDC Satpur, Nashik	04/04/2026
8.	Mechanical	B. Tech	Ashoka Tyres	14/04/2026
9.	E&TC	SY	Electrosystems Pvt. Ltd., Nashik	15/04/2026
10.	E&TC	TY	Armstrong Dematic, Nashik	02/04/2026

■ Training and Placements

Sr. No.	Company Name	Department Name	Place Students
1.	Aarti Pharmalabs Ltd., Vapi	Chemical Engineering	2
2.	Coriolis Technologies Aundh Pune	Computer Science Design	1
3.	TCS Nashik	Computer Engineering	1
4.	Mahindra & Mahindra	Mechanical Engineering	15
5.	Vertiv Energy		4
6.	Mosdorfer		8
7.	CK Birla		2
8.	Schneider electric	Electronics & Telecommunication	1
9.	Fox Solutions Pvt. Ltd. (PPO)		1
10.	Crowdera, Singapore (PPO)		1
11.	ESDS Software Solution Ltd, Nashik	Artificial Intelligence &	1
12.	Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Pune	Data Science	1
13.	KLINGELNBERG India Private Limited MIDC, Bhosari, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Pune	Information Technology	2

■ Other :

Dr. K. N. Nandurkar, Director, was invited as the Chief Guest for the inaugural function of LVH Innofest 2026, organized by Loknete Vyankatrao Hiray Arts, Science and Commerce College on 24th April 2026. Dr. S. N. Jain, I/C Head and Associate Professor of the Chemical Engineering Department, was invited as a judge for the same event.

Prof. Dr. K. N. Nandurkar
Director

