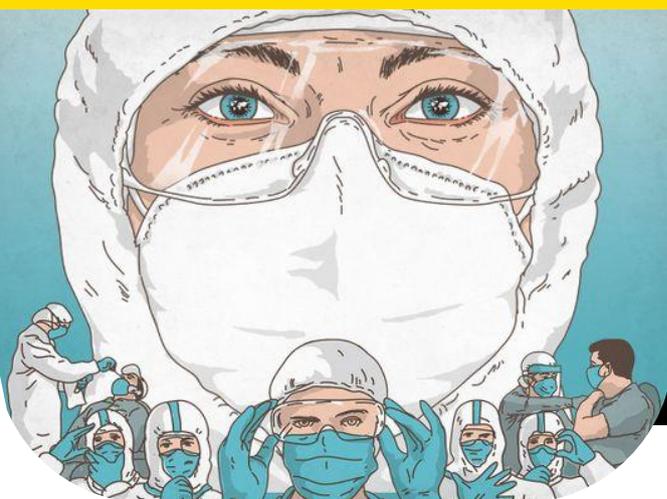




## ALUMNI CONNECT



GLIMPSE OF VIRTUAL MEET

**SRICT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
THANKS THE FRONTLINE CORONA WORKERS**

“SRICT Alumni Association (SAA) aspires to bridge the gap of institute & family of alumni around the world and perpetuate passion among alumni for development and progress of the institute and society at large.”

Connect ✨ Engage ✨ Thrive ✨ Celebrate

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**Ashok Panjwani**  
Vice Chairman, SRICT

The Third Decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century has showed all of us a difficult time, I hope you all are reading this in good health and spirit.

As the Vice Chairman, Ankleshwar Rotary Education Society, I feel immense pleasure to interact with you all through the first edition of 'The Alumni Connect' an initiative for providing alumni of Shroff S R Rotary Institute of Chemical Technology, a platform to share their rich and varied experiences and practical knowledge.

In a Short span of 10 years SRICT has carved out its niche in the world of Engineering, Technology and Sciences. The Institute has emerged as one among the best in the western part of the nation. As we have been awarded the status of private university, we will be now known as UPL University of Sustainable Technology. I would like to thank and congratulate each and everyone associated with this institute for their valuable contributions.

Alumni is the brand ambassador of any institute and in fact I believe that Alumni is the face of Institute. This newsletter is one of the conscious efforts by the Institution, like many others to follow, to provide an opportunity for alumni to stay connected to their alma mater. With each year passing by we welcome new students to this Institution and get reminded of the legacy left behind by alumni. Alumni are the pillars of strength for building any institution. And the alumni community plays a special role in taking the alma mater to greater heights with its time, energy, expertise, and resources. The biggest gift that you can give to this institution is your precious time. Your active participation is the key to the success of this committee. You all bring varied expertise and bags full of experience of the corporate world, which will become the guiding light for current students. The more alumni become involved, the more robust and valuable our alumni network becomes. I would urge you to inspire your juniors by sharing your experiences, attending events, mentoring students, recruiting future graduates, participating on alumni boards or volunteering for initiatives. You are our greatest voice and we rely on you to serve as advocates of Shroff S R Rotary Institute of Chemical Technology. You have the fire. Come, share the spark!

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SRICT is progressing well and proving its mettle every year by creating glorious records in academic activity and participating in various other activities.



SETU is a rendezvous for all alumni to Share, Exchange, Talk, and remain United.

My best wishes for the first issue of Alumni Connect.

- Shrikant Wagh  
Principal, SRICT



“When the roots are deep there is no reason to fear the wind.”

It is my utmost pleasure to write this message to our esteemed alumni members.

I look forward earnestly to your continuing involvement in the coming years as we march ahead towards a new zenith of achievements. Keep us informed of your accomplishments and milestones, it can inspire the lives of students today who are destined to be the leaders of tomorrow. My best wishes for the first bulletin of the newsletter.

May God bless you all

- Snehal Lokhandwala  
Vice Principal, SRICT

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We are facing truly unprecedented circumstances. The global coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is impacting our way of life and affecting our families, our communities and our professions.

First and foremost, our hearts go out to anyone who's been impacted by the virus, either directly or indirectly. I want to convey my genuine respect and appreciation for our SRICT alumni, their families and people around the world.

It has to be an exciting year of alumni events, activities and meets. However, many have been cancelled or postponed. Our Alumni staff will monitor the situation, adjust plans accordingly, and update alums via email/social media channels.

Time and again, alumni demonstrate that we SRICTians (*by blood Rotaractors*) look out for one another. Right now, I encourage you to reach out to your classmates, friends and co-workers. Contacting others may help both parties deal with the daily strains caused by COVID-19, and strengthen the bond between you, the people you care about. Letting people know you are thinking of them via email, phone call or social media can go a long way.

We are as excited as you are, Welcome to the very first alumni Newsletter by Team SETU of SRICT, Ankleshwar. It come up like a bolt from the blue. We hope you enjoy reading it and do send us suggestions on other columns/feature stories or any distinct work you would like us to add.

Thank you in advance for your support as we build Bigger Circles, Tighter Connections, Greater Engagement.

Hope you are IN in our colossal telegram group. If not please scan below QR code



- Hamza Shaikh (+91 94284 70441)  
President, Alumni Association, SRICT

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# SPOT LIGHT – ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT



**Dhruvil Shah**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 23**

Congratulations to  
Qualified Alumni  
for GATE - 2021



**Neel Patel**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 2148**



**Abhishek Singh**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 73**



**Punit Patel**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 1425**



**Avani Kavaswala**  
Environmental Science &  
Engineering  
**AIR - 2538**



**Kartik Chaddarwala**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 283**

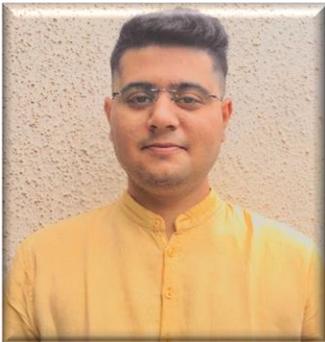


**Bhavik More**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 2056**



**Harsh Jadav**  
Chemical Engineering  
**AIR - 2671**

Kevin Patel,  
Alumni from  
Chemical  
Engineering is  
selected as  
permanent  
employ at Sun  
Pharma based  
on his  
performance of  
past one year as  
trainee.  
Congratulations!



I am Kshitij Madhu, Alumni of SRICT (batch 2014-2018) from Chemical Technology. I did BE in Chemical Technology with specialization in Polymer and Rubber Technology. During BE, in 2018, I qualified GATE exam from Engineering Science and pursued ME in chemical Engineering. *Currently I am pursuing PhD in Chemical Engineering from IIT Guwahati, working on Bio-polymer films.* From the beginning of my journey at SRICT, I had a very fierce interest in working on projects that are focused more towards Greener areas that could bring a positive change in Society and could help Nation as well.

RAKESH KUMAR SONI from the 1<sup>st</sup> Batch of Mechanical Engineering completed Masters from Technical University of Liberec, Czech Republic. Based on an Internship review, Skoda hired him as full-time employee as Design and simulation engineer for Automotive parts in 2018. His role and responsibilities were to perform feasibility study of automotive parts with the help of CATIA and Autoform (softwares). Rakesh always wished to serve for our nation. While he was undergoing training, Skoda started its production in India. After successful training and getting expertise in specialized design software, Autoform, Rakesh was given new role and challenges. Currently, he is serving for Skoda Volkswagen India Pvt Ltd., Pune as tool designing for press parts. Rakesh had amazing journey since he graduated from SRICT. (His journey in his words will be covered in the 2<sup>nd</sup> issue of newsletter.)



# the Journey

*My name is Ankit, I'm 26 years old and I'm 8 months into my PhD in Material Science at University of Heidelberg, Germany. Since my graduation days I always admire of getting into research and academics, thanks to the Professors who inspired me to make a career in research and here I am!, doing a PhD...*

*The years of my graduation and postgraduation certainly had its ups and downs. What I found at SRICT was a culture of acceptance and a potpourri of opportunities. I always admire to stand out from the rest and hence, enrolling for the Chemical Technology branch at SRICT, was the outcome.*

*Getting into IIT Delhi for my Masters was not easy, but worth it. The coursework at IIT was great for the fact that I really had interesting lectures and teaching. It was a lovely atmosphere to be in, quite an academic environment as well. While doing my final year thesis, I got to know about the application of Polymers in the field of biomedical research which got me curious and dig out more in this research area.*

*At present, I am a part of "Research Training Group 2154: Materials for Brain" and carrying out my research work at the University of Heidelberg. **My topic of research is: Responsive materials for drug delivery in the brain. Unlike my giant stature, I develop materials in Nano & micron sizes with different formulations for treatment of brain disorders like Glioblastoma, Aneurysms and Epilepsy.** The main task is to load drugs onto the materials, pack it, put a leash onto it and ship it inside the body so that it can be controlled externally to rescue your brain.*

*I have definitely been inspired by those whom I surround myself with in everyday life, including my family, supervisors and my friends. Remember, we all are motivated & inspired, prepared for both happy and sad events, for easy ways and obstacles.*

*"Don't accept anyone's definition for life, define it yourself"*

**-ANKIT MISHRA, Proud SRICTian**



# STARTUP & NEW VENTURES



## Good Luck

— On Your —

## New Venture.

### AYUSHI CHATURVEDI

Alumni Association congratulates Ayushi Chaturvedi, from the first batch of Environmental Science & Technologies for starting “VASUNDHARA ENTERPRISE” – Environmental Consultancy & Laboratory. The enterprise was inaugurated at the prestigious hands of Meera Panjwani madam. We wish her all the best for future endeavor. ([www.vasundharaenterprise.in](http://www.vasundharaenterprise.in))



I have done B.E. Chemical Engineering from the first batch of SRICT. At the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> year, my vision was clear, but I always know one thing that ‘I wanted to become an entrepreneur’. I gave CMAT exam in 2015 and completed MBA in Marketing in 2017. I was selected in I.I.F.L through campus placement. At that time, I was not aware about startups.

Initially, I started working on disposable products addressing the environmental concerns. We are aware about the extensive use & wastage of plastic cups, used for serving tea/coffee. Looking at the quantum of waste generated, I started working on eco-friendly paper cups. By the end 2017, I owned a firm “Sajal Paper Product”. It was a small unit for paper cup manufacturing.

Later, from 2017 to 2021 many entrepreneurs emerged in this business. Many machineries were imported from China. Due to rising demand in machinery and the lack of available mechanics in this field, we established a firm "Sajal Engineering" in July 2020. Now we are having manufacturing facility and we also provide engineering services/work.

I am having a good experience, doing business, and I am willing to continue, following my passion. Listen to your heart and work hard to achieve your dream.



**Milan Shiroya**  
Owner, Sejal  
Engineering





## LIFE DURING COVID-19



CoVID-19 crisis has brought the entire world to a standstill. This is a golden opportunity to have a great time with family...It is an opportunity to learn new skills. It is an opportunity to enjoy life. I gave myself a little time for hobbies like gardening, writing and drawing. It is an opportunity to cherish past moments with friends online. We understand that COVID-19 crisis has fundamentally changed many things, affecting our everyday life. New problems and challenges arose, as well as opportunities. Life has too much to offer provided if we have the right mindset. Together we can fight and defeat COVID-19. Soon, new mornings will come. The flowers will bloom and the streets will become active. The sun will shine brighter."

- **Chaitanya Mahant**

Alumni, Mechanical Engineering,  
Adm batch 2012

Maintenance Engineer, IPCA Ltd



Hello everyone,

I am **Kajal Patel**, one of the proud SRICTian. I completed B.E. Chemical Technology in 2019. Later, I decided to go for a master's from abroad. I started preparation for IELTS and cleared it in December 2019. I applied to the University of Windsor and received an offer letter in April 2020 for fall intake. As per my expectation, I can fly to CANADA in August, but who knows destiny. **COVID-19** hit the world badly, so my life too. I opted online course rather than getting defer in winter intake and started it in September. Finally, after lots of struggle from application for admission to visa, I got my visa in February and flew in March. Recently, I completed my second semester in MEng environmental engineering.

We are dealing with Uncertainty. We pray to God to provide strength one who is facing some serious losses.

Stay safe, follow basic guideline & get vaccinated. Together, we fight the virus.



The photograph reminds me the most memorable moment of our college life. We represent our college at GTU inter college Cricket tournament and we won consecutive three matches qualifying to quarter finals.

- **Juned Shaikh**, ME 2011 Adm. Batch



This is an unforgettable memory of my life. We all enjoyed this cricket tour and We played with full of energy in all matches.

Miss all my friends

- **Meghnad Desai**, ME 2011 Adm. Batch



**Foram Maheshwari** shared a memory — with **Jaini Nagar** and **2 others**.  
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**Vivek Agrawal** added a new photo — with **Foram Maheshwari** and **3 others** at **Ankleshwar GIDC**.  
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EIGHT years Ago  
1<sup>st</sup> REVA FEST 2013



## DOOR DARSHAN

I feel happy to start the special column "Door Darshan" where alumni away from town pens down their feeling and expresses, how their journey have been.

From the moment I walked through the doors of SRICT as a student in the Chemical Engineering, I was clear that I wish to excel in management domain. At that time, I didn't know how my learnings from SRICT for four years will help me to excel in the field of management. Later, I took a management course from Zekelman School of Business, St. Clair College, Windsor, Canada.

Now, after a couple of years, I understand how important was my training at SRICT. I learnt working in a team, delivering presentations, institute also gave me a habit to complete each assignment/task with utmost accuracy and perfection. I am very thankful to the entire fraternity of SRICT.

As an engaged alumni member, I wish to take an initiative to start Canada Chapter of SRICT Alumni Association in the coming few years. We look forward to see more active alumni members at CANADA.



Riverside Windsor

- **Jaimin Shukla**, International Business Management - Logistics Systems, St. Clair College

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## ON CAMPUS

For such happening campus; SRICT, its difficult to cover all the activities. We showcase the glimpse of few recent activities.

Dr. Hemant Gupta and Mr. Gunjan Kumar received project grant of Rs. 11,66,000/- for two years under GUJCOST STI Policy. The project title is "Design, development and experimental analysis of combined focus solar collector for 1kW power generation".

### UPL Center of Excellence in Process Safety (CoE) at SRICT

The CoE in industrial safety is established at SRICT-Ankleshwar, by the congruous collaboration of UPL Ltd. and Gexcon, Norway. The CoE is bracing up to accept challenges for making industrial work field a safer place, protecting human lives, environment and properties. For more details, write to [safexcellence@srict.in](mailto:safexcellence@srict.in)



### "THE SHOW MUST GO ON"

When Covid-19 forced us to suspend physical classrooms, we shifted to the virtual mode. SRICT continued all the activities, academic, co-curricular and extracurricular activities including the our flagship activities including virtual IVs, Els, Project fair, 1-to-1 meeting, felicitation programs, etc.

A project sponsored by DST, New Delhi from 2021- 2023, of the amount **56.3 Lakhs** to Dr Alok Gautam and Dr Shina on the topic "Utilization of Sludge from Common Effluent Treatment Plant for Extraction of Polyhydroxyalkanoates"

A project sponsored by DST, New Delhi from 2020- 2023, of the amount **82.94 Lakhs** to Dr Shina Gautam on the topic "Conversion of urban solid waste at distributed level into value added products)"

Upholding the legacy, SRICT plans REVA fest -21 Online



## Management Courses

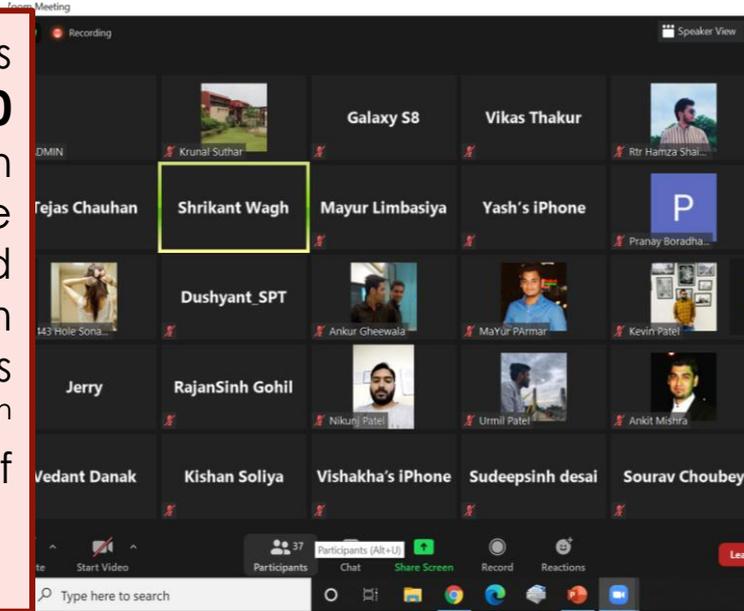
SRICT offers you a career development opportunity in management through the best management programs of ALL INDIA MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (AIMA). They are Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) and Post Graduate Certificate in Management (PGCM). You will be happy to know that SRICT is now the coordination center (No. 357) of AIMA. The PGDM and PGCM courses are offered in the following specializations

- Human Resource Development
- Marketing Management
- Operation Systems Management
- Financial Management

For more details, contact Mr. Yogesh Shinde (9714727304)

# ACTIVITIES

SRICT completes the journey of **10** glorious year in JULY 2021. We invite ideas and suggestions from ALUMNI members to celebrate 10<sup>th</sup> Foundation day of our institute (16<sup>th</sup> July 2021)



In view of prevailing Pandemic, a virtual meet was arranged



We all **PROUD** Alumni of **SRICT** are under one roof!  
Where are you..??  
Connect with us on  
**TELEGRAM**  
SRICT – Alumni Group



In case of query, pl contact  
HAMZA SHAIKH - 9428470441  
HARSH SHAH - 7984600895

TELEGRAM: "SETU"-Official



Kishan Soliya, Secretary,  
Alumni Association

Rtr. Harsh Shah,  
Project chair

We request all to please donate blood before taking vaccination. Contact us in case of any query – Harsh Shah

Rotaract 3060 SRICT ANKLESHWAR Rotaract 3060 ANKLESHWAR

Jointly organized with SETU - Alumni Association of SRICT

## BLOOD DONATION CAMP

Date : 27th April to 30th April

Place - Rotary Kumarpal Gandhi Blood Bank

Project Chair: Rtr. Harsh Shah  
Contact no. 79846 00895

Project Co-Chair: Rtr. Devrajsinh takoliya  
Contact no. 72279 98504

We invite dedicated and hard-working group of volunteers, nominations for SRICT **Alumni Association, Board of Governors (BoG) 2021-22.**

We welcome and encourage self-nominations! Pls. submit the nomination form using the following link on or before 15<sup>th</sup> MAY 2021. In case of any query in this regards, pl contact [setu@sriect.in](mailto:setu@sriect.in)

<https://forms.gle/Pat2hdaxjaFsdMN59>

From the desk of editors



We thank our alumni members for providing interesting contents for the first issue. We extend thanks to co-editors and reviewers for helping us draft the newsletter. **We request readers to kindly write back to us with more ideas, suggestions and feedback.** We invite more articles from our esteemed alumni for the following sections/columns for the next issue of monthly newsletter: achievements, stories, new ventures, experience sharing, door darshan, etc. Send your article before 25<sup>th</sup> of every month on [setu@sriect.in](mailto:setu@sriect.in)

STAY HEALTHY & STAY SAFE.

HAPPY READING AND DO **WRITE US BACK.**

- Editors

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