UTSAV -2K19 "The Day of Togetherness"

The night screen had hung down; the celestial space had become pitch black, the glittering and luminous diamond-like stars had become natural adornments, filling the empty spaces in the dark sky while the students at U-Block of VFSTR on 20th April relishing the memories spent throughout the year beneath the same sky by celebrating their Annual Day - UTSAV.

This Academic year has indeed been an incredible one. Culture and traditions have been integral part of our nation and VFSTR has always abided to this very fact. The VFSTR held the national flag despite the pouring rain on the Independence Day and marched with our heads high on the Republic Day. These two days will forever be remembered in the history of Vignan for the spectacular show of sheer patriotism. VFSTR has incredibly managed to keep traditions alive. The Varalakshmi Pooja, the Utti Utsav on the occasion of Janmastami, the Ramzan Celebrations, the Bathukamma festivities, the Dandiya Raas, the Semi- Christmas, Sankranthi Celebrations and the Felicitation on Ugadi have all been joyfully celebrated on the campus. From flying kites on Sankranthi to breaking pots on Janmastami to singing carols on Christmas to performing the rituals of Lord Lakshmi to Rangoli making, the varsity has done everything that defines our Motherland. The Telugu language day celebrations are another great reminder of how true we have been to our roots.

They say nothing is more divine than serving our fellow beings. In response to the Nation's call to help Kerala, VFSTR donated 25 Lakhs to the victims of the 2018 floods. Besides, donating money, a team of 23 students and 2 faculty members set out on a relief mission to support the victims. VFSTR's NSS team too has also shown sheer dedication in serving the humankind by organizing a blood donation camp in which a whooping number of 430 students volunteered to donate blood. It's extremely proud to place on record that VFSTR students are responsible and compassionate civilians.

The institution has always prioritized knowledge over rhetorical studies and mechanical test taking. Encouraging student community to network, collaborate and together transform the world around them has always been the prime mission. Srujanankura was one such effort to promote innovation among the students. And all the students were extremely successful in doing so by displaying more than 800 projects. It was really amazed by the technical knowledge and innovation of the students. Hosting Anveshan- a student research Convention of South Zone Universities was another big step taken to promote excellence among students.

VFSTR allotted 13.6 Crores as fee waivers and 1.1 Crore rupees, as a reward to the students who have performed exceptionally well in the previous academic year and 267 students have received the scholarships. Students have exceedingly excelled in both curricular and co-curricular activities. VFSTR has been providing a platform for students to exhibit their inherent talents. Various contest for dance, music, theatre arts, writing, oration, painting creative arts and entrepreneurship, summing up to more than 40 competitions, were conducted round the year and each contest has been a reminder as to how multi-versed the students are.

The Student Activities Council (SAC), E-cell (Entrepreneurship Cell) and all other student bodies have put in great efforts to bring out the best in their fellow companions, by being the backbones of all the events conducted in the campus. Every such student who has taken out time from the curriculum to benefit the student community is an achiever. TEDx VFSTR has been the Biggest TEDx event in South India.

The National Sports Day celebrations and the Sports Fete 2K18, a National Level Sports festival are two big events organized by the varsity to promote spirit of sports among the students. Students from around 60 institutions and students of VFSTR were successful to get laurels to the varsity. The NCC cadets too have made Vignan proud by successfully completing the 'B' and 'C' certificate exams.

VFSTR has placed it on record that this academic year has indeed been an incredible one. And it is because of the commendable talent and hard work of the students that VFSTR has spent 1.6 Crores throughout the year students' holistic development.UTSAV 2K19 is to where all of this concludes.