# SOC Event Report - 2017



#### Aagaz (Shuru Roadshow)

On 29th July, 2017, Shuru roadshow called "Aagaz" was conducted by the Directorate of Student Affairs to gather students and make them aware of the Freshers' event to be held on 5th August, 2017.

It began at 5 pm on Tech Park stairs. It was an amazing experience for the students as raw talent was seen in all the arenas of creativity like music, dance, drama, fashion and self defense which bewildered the audience. The show started off with an exhilarating performance by the Music club of SRM. The music varied from melancholies to rock. The fashion club was up next. The girls looked gorgeous in their outfits and the boys looked just apt for the show. Then, we had a performance by the dance club which enthralled us all. It was a medley of songs, which went on for 45 minutes, non stop. The dance club was diverse in terms of the songs they chose. A plethora of bhangra, contemporary, pop, hip hop and other forms of dance was shown. The drama club didn't dwindle in anyway. Small skits and plays were performed in between dance and music performances.

The night then ended with good music and torch lights were turned on. It looked like a sky full of stars on the Earth.

The show ended at 8:30 pm with the students eagerly looking forward to Shuru '17.





# Shuru Marathon (Run for Friendship)

The "Shuru Marathon" took place on 5th of August, 2017. It started at 5:30 am in our University. It was a 5 km run starting from Shiva temple near Girls' Hostel and ending at the Auditorium Ground.

The students led this event with the main theme being "Run for Friendship". The run was conducted to promote "Shuru '17".

The Director, Students and Campus Life, inaugurated the event and graced us with his presence. About 270 students participated in this event. There were various checkpoints where water was provided. At the end of the marathon, chocolates, Choco Pie, Frooti and biscuits were given as refreshments.

The marathon came to an end at 7:30 am. It was approximately a 2 hour run. The students showed immense enthusiasm and energy towards the event.





#### Janmashtami '17

SRM Festival Club organized Janmashtami'17 celebrations in the University campus under the supervision of Directorate of Student Affairs. The event attracted a large crowd of students belonging to all years who took part with a lot of enthusiasm.

#### <u>Venue</u>

C V Raman Lane (Tech Park Lane)

#### About The Event

Janmashtami '17 was celebrated with great spiritual fervour on 17th August, 2017. A splendid crowd engaged in the celebrations which began at 5 PM. Assistant Director, Students and Campus Life was invited as the guest of honor to the celebrations. The atmosphere was filled with peace and tranquility as the gathered masses chanted the holy prayers simultaneously.

Soon after the serene prayers, the most awaited event "Dahi Handi" was fired up. The crowd was cheering with joy, and the event went along for 45 minutes until the pot was hit successfully.

The management and the students celebrated the event with great enthusiasm to celebrate & seek the blessings of Lord Krishna.

#### **Highlights Of The Event**

- > The earthen pot (matki) was made and decorated by SRM festival club team itself.
- > A three rowed Human pyramid was formed to hit the pot hung from the branch.
- > The atmosphere was enveloped in an air of equanimity as the voice of the gathered masses resonated with the music in the background.





# YUVA'17 (The founders day celebration)

The Inauguration of Yuva'17 was done by Dr. S. Thilagar, Vice Chancellor of Tamil Nadu University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, who graced us with his presence as the chief guest for the event along with Pro-Vice Chancellor of SRM University, Director, Students & Campus Life, SRM University, Dean, Faculty of Management and Assistant Director, Students & Campus Life.

The Chief Guest and the other dignitaries addressed the audience after which the Guinness World Record Attempt for Maximum Number of Signatures for a Global Cause was also inaugurated by the chief guest and the dignitaries.

The Chancellor, SRM University graced the event with his presence for the cake cutting ceremony, and addressed the audience with kind and enlightening words. The event successfully came to an end with the prize distribution for the winners of the various events by the Assistant Director, (Students & Campus Life) followed by the Vote of thanks by cultural secretary of the Directorate of Students Affairs.





# Chennai OPPO fresh face (Organized by OPPO & SRMU)

Overflowing with enthusiasm, oppo conducted its flashy OPPO Fresh Face contest on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2017 in front of the Tech Park staircase, SRM University Kattankulathur campus. The participants came in large numbers to participate and demonstrated some exceptional skills which reflected the theme of the edition- "What is your Fresh Factor?"

The fresh face contest had four rounds-

- 1. College level
- 2. Semi-final stage
- 3. City final stage
- 4. Grand finale stage

The fresh face received a warm welcome by students in the campus who were already charged up with excitement and were ready to set the ramp on fire with their extraordinary skills. Team oppo chose the best of the lot qualifying them for the semi-final stage.





# 'Ink a Better India' (Essay Writing Competition)

On 2nd September 2017, an essay writing competition, 'Ink a Better India' was conducted by the Directorate of Student Affairs on the topic "Role of students towards realizing new India". The competition began at 9 am at 401, Tech Park.

Many enthusiastic participants showed up on time. They were extremely passionate about making India a bigger and better place to live in. The students had different ideas to portray their love for our great nation. The main aim of the competition was to embark a fire in students, to carve an economically strong nation. The students covered various topics and poured their hearts out about a clean India with total liberation of poverty, corruption, terrorism and communalism.

The essays were to be written within 8 pages with 20 lines in each page. The conveners made sure the write up was not plagiarized and was Manu scripted.

Two winners were selected to go further to VELS University for a competition on 7th October 2017 on the occasion of their college's Silver Jubilee. A cash prize of 2000 rupees was rewarded to the winners. The competition successfully ended at 11 am.

Students seemed satisfied with their performance and shined at VELS University too.



#### The Lord Ganesh Visarjan (Organized by DSA festival club)

**On the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2017** students from all streams participated and played their respect to the Lord Ganesha. The event started off with light drums being played while the Lord Ganesha statue was taken from the temple and placed on the truck which was decorated with a colourful background made of thermocol which was a feast for everyone's eyes.

Festivals are always exciting for people if celebrated in the right way. SRMU year after year proves that it is extremely important for us to never give up on our Indian customs and beliefs. Everyone's participation in this event was the key to yet another success.

The Lord Ganesha was taken in a procession. The followers danced and played the drums all along the procession. The procession moved out of the arch gate and towards the Abode Valley lake where the Lord Ganesha's idol was placed in the water for what is known as "visarjan".



# Report on Gaming Club- LAN PARTY (Organized by DSA gaming club)

**On the 9<sup>th</sup> of September, 2017,** the Gaming Club held its first LAN party in the Mini Hall 2, SRM University from 11 am to 6 pm. This event was held to create more opportunities for gamers to meet similar gamers. A good number of people came and participated in this event. For the first time, the club organized games the following games: Rainbow 6, over watch and Csgo, DOTA2, Rainbow 6, COD, CSgo and over watch.

Gaming is always fun when played with the right people. The gaming club realized this and hence created an opportunity to unite people with the same mind set. It was a day of fun. Students were very happy. They had an amazing day playing games and they loved interacting with lots of other people.



# Dance Club - Utsaav'17

The Madras Christian College conducted UTSAV'17, the 34th edition of UTSAV on Saturday, 9th September, 2017. SRMU has its own eastern dance team called "Team Incognito". The team consists of 6 girls from various branches. SRMU team incognito competed against various colleges of Chennai. Other colleges like SRMU's sister colleges and Anna University had also participated in the event. Team Incognito gave their full potential and was declared as the second runners up of the event and received cash prize of Rs5000 and prize worth 2000. Anna University was declared as the winner.

# Big Bash'17(Organizes by DSA sports club)

The most awaited Big Bash event took place on the **10<sup>th</sup> of September 2017** at the valliammai **Grounds**. This game of football captured the hearts of people like no other. There were 12 teams and 5 played on each side. There were 7 quarters each seven minutes long and it's a intra university match between different team headed by our own students. The event starts

with 9.00am and ends around 6.00 pm. Each team gave their best and fought till the end showing their spirit of true sportsmanship. Winners were given a cash prize of Rs 3000.



# Youth ki Awaaz (A media platform for our generation to address some of the world's most pressing issues)

On 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2017, Youth Ki Awaaz came to SRM University to conduct a workshop on voting awareness and democratic rights. It runs some of the largest awareness campaigns in India, one of which is to make the youth understand the importance of voting and its procedure.

The event was divided into two sessions. The first session consisted of a thorough discussion of a plethora of issues in and around the world. Issues such as corruption, excessive traffic, road safety rules and many more were talked about and the students were informed about the respective councils which can be approached for the above mentioned issues. A game of 'Match the Following' was played where an issue and a type of government were given and they had to connect the issue to the government it came under.

The second session was a thorough explanation about how a person should apply for a voter ID and how the whole voting process takes place. A game of 'Snakes and Ladders' was also played where a few boxes had questions related to voting and its process.



#### TREKKING TRIP TO YELAGIRI

The Adventure club of the SRM University organized a trip to Yelagiri, a charming rustic hill station near Bangalore, which has an idyllic setting for a short peaceful. trip away from the traffic, crowd and pollution.

The aim of the trip was to create awareness about the region amongst the fresher's batch and also to wean them away from the modern trappings of digital world by getting them in touch with nature.

Around 200 students and 15 staff members enjoyed their adventure trip to this hilly area which stands at a height of 920 feet above sea level.

The trek up on the hills started early morning from Mangalam, a small village 7 kms away and took the route through the Mangalam Reserve Forest. Those interested in ornithology, started early in the morning for bird watching as the hills boast of wide variety of birds that include Drongos, Sparrows, Fly Catchers, Thrushes etc.

It was a beautiful outing for students as they took 3-4 hours going up and down the hill. With many stops en-route to admire the flora as well as the scenic view of all the surrounding Reserve forests like Alangayam, Poongulam, Jawadhu and Nagalathu hills. It proved to an ideal outing for the first time trekkers and generated a lot of enthusiasm amongst the students.





### **Diwali** Celebrations

The Diwali celebrations were organized by the Directorate of Student Affairs in a grand manner on the 18th of October, 2017.

DSA tried it's best to promote an eco-friendly and cracker-free Diwali by making "GREEN DIWALI" as its theme.

The celebrations started at 6:30 pm and ended at 8:30 pm with the entire campus lit up using Diyas.

A beautiful message was also written on the Tech Park stairs & hostels with the help of Diya's. The students took a keen interest and decorated the hostels' premises too.

Film shows were organized in Hostels and students were offered special Diwali Menu for the entire day. Those who were keen to use fireworks were permitted to do so in the Auditorium Grounds.

It was an evening full of fun and festivity and our young students come out in large numbers fully dressed in traditional attire to enjoy this evening of home away from home.





#### The Zone (Gent's Gym & Fitness Center)

A fully Air-conditioned gym with the best of equipment was inaugurated for our hostel students on the 20th of October, 2017 at 4:30pm. Aptly named 'The Zone – Gent's Gym & Fitness Center', it drew a huge crowd of students who were excited and eager to use the facilities.



As a Special incentive, a third year student of ECS Department who frequents the gym regularly,

Mr. Dilip, was requested to cut the ribbon.

This was followed by Puja and Sweets distribution.

# Who will be the next voice of TamilNadu?

The Directorate of Student Affairs, in collaboration with 7up India and Radio Merchi provided a wonderful opportunity for all enthusiastic singers and performers to record their voices, with the talented ones getting a chance to share the stage with none other than the legendary Indian Musical Icon Mr.A.R.Rahman. This "Voice of TamilNadu "event took place on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm at Sir.C.V.Raman lane near Java circle.

As many as 156 enthusiastic students took part and recorded their voices. Those who are selected for the next round will be called for further selection process.





