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Placement Milestones



600+ OFFERS

200+ RECRUITERS (IT & CORE)
50% INTERNSHIPS

AVERAGE CTC

4.5 LPA (ENGINEERING)	3 LPA (MCA)	4.5 LPA (MBA)
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HIGHEST DOMESTIC CTC
10+ LPA (MBA)

HIGHEST DOMESTIC CTC
12 LPA (ENGG.)

PLACEMENT DETAILS

2021 BATCH

CISCO

Mistral Solutions

OUR TRUSTED INDUSTRY PARTNERS

WIPRO | Cognizant | CISCO | Cameron | Aditya Birla | Robert Bosch | Infoview | DXC | Morgan Stanley
Hexaware | Optum Insight | Infosys | URC Constructions | Mistral Solutions | Renault
Ford | Amazon | Open Text | Data Corp Traffic and many more...



Highlights

Grand opening of state-of-the-art administrative block



The Sona Group of Institutions opened its State-of-the-art administrative building and library block on the auspicious day of 3rd February 2021. The massive structure is none like any other the city of Salem has seen till date. The ceremonial poojas and rituals started the Gruhapravesham ceremony. The Chairman Mr. Valliappa's family including Madam Chairman Seetha Aachi, Vice Chairman Chocko Valliappa and Thyagu Valliappa were all present to witness the occasion. The various Principals of the Sona Group of Institutions were also present along with the faculty members to add to the grandeur of the occasion.

Pongal celebration at Sona



The students and faculty members of Sona college of Technology celebrated Pongal in the campus. The Covid times could not put out the joy the harvest season brings as people were seen in bright and vibrant sarees and dhotis. The customary pongal was cooked and the celebrations followed after it.



The Speakers Forum resumes

The Sona Speaker's Forum got back to full swing with a talk on the topic "What Covid-19 has done to us?" The students put their thought, diction and language to bring out the benefits of the lockdown and life after this pandemic. Principal Dr. S. R. R. Senthilkumar and the coordinators of the event were present for the event.



Highlights

Sona faculty best among 4500 local NPTEL chapters



The National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL) has rated the faculty members of Sona College of Technology to be the best among 4500 of its local chapters in the country. The NPTEL said, "During the period of January/December 2020, Sona NPTEL Local Chapter has secured the first place in the faculty performance rating among more than 4500 NPTEL local chapters in India. There were hundred top performers in the category. As many as 127 Sona College faculties took up online courses on NPTEL platform and appeared for exams. Sona College of Technology scored 471 rating points and was selected as the best performer.



Power on me - Launching Entrepreneurs

Power on Me, a unique platform created by Sona's Innovation Council with the objective of igniting the entrepreneurial spark in engineering students was held at Sona college of Technology campus on January 29. Five teams of students pitched several brilliant ideas in the programme. The Vice-Chairman Thyagu Valliappa evaluated the start up ideas presented by the budding entrepreneurs including students and faculty members from Sona College of Technology, KSR College of Technology, Thiagarajar Polytechnic College and other colleges.

SPARK 21

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering organised SPARK 21, an intra level symposium on 27th February. Mr. M. Sakthi, an Automation Text Lead in GE Bangalore and a proud alumnus of Sona College of Technology was the chief guest for the event. More than 300 enthusiastic participants took part in this programme.





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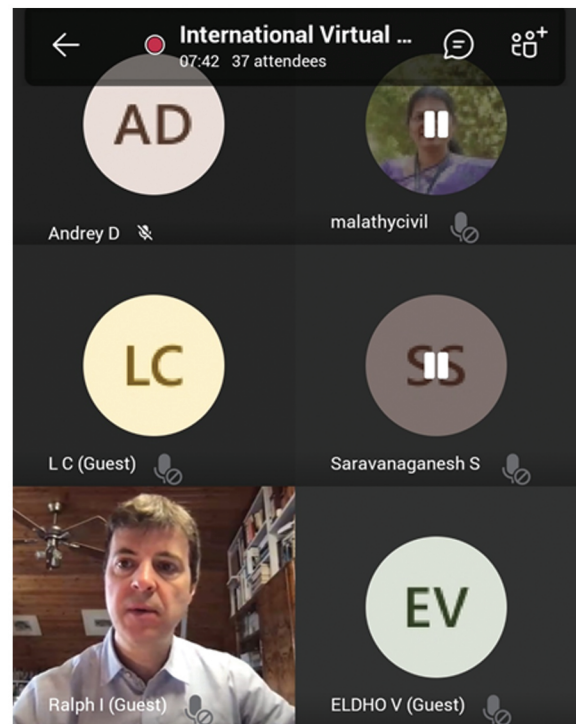


Career guidance

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering organized a guest lecture on “The Art of Making Career Choices” for the Second year Computer Science and Engineering students on 26th of February by our alumnus, Mr. Akshay Vyas, Member Technical Staff, Zoho Corporation, Chennai.

Virtual webinar GEOCON 2021

A two day virtual international webinar on “Geopolymer Concrete and its applications, GEOCON 2021” was conducted on 9th & 10th of March by the Department of Civil Engineering, Sona College of Technology and Arcus Concrete Solutions, India/USA in order to create a major awareness in the construction industry to use Geopolymer concrete. This International Seminar was sponsored by The Institution of Engineers (INDIA) Salem Local Chapter (SLC). A total of eighty participants from various parts of the country attended this virtual event and were benefitted.



NSS orientation programme

An orientation Program was conducted for the Sona NSS volunteers on 1st March. The NSS programme officer Dr. P. Iyanar inaugurated the event. Around hundred NSS volunteers participated in it. Topics such as donating blood, service and importance of NSS formed the central theme of the programme.



A Myriad of Events

Chilli Cook-off



The Sona College of Technology's Cooking Club, Eat & Treat organized Sona Chilly Cook-off, a department level cooking competition which was held on 29th January for the faculty members. Dr. J. Akilandeswari, HOD/IT and Dr. B. Sathiyabhama, HOD/ CSE were the Chief Guests. Many faculty members and a few students participated and spiced up their luscious recipes.

LEEF 2021



The English Club of Sona College of Technology conducted Literary Events For Enhancing Freshers, shortly known as LEEF. Aimed at improving the communicative efficacy of the first year students, it drew more than ninety participants. Mr. Monish Prasad of I CSE and Ms. Shivani of I IT won the title of Mr. LEEF and Ms. LEEF.

Reader's Club Introduction Meet



The members of the Reader's club of Sona College of Technology met on 18th February to rekindle their love for reading. The Covid-19 lockdown gave these books lovers enough time and space to read books of their choice. The members shared their book reading experiences in the past months. Ajay Jorden, Aishwarya Shree and Saravana Kumar of Mechatronics department led the session along with the club's coordinators.

Science Day



The Department of Science and The Science Club virtually organized National Science Day 2021, to commemorate the discovery of the Raman effect by Sir C. V. Raman. Dr. Sandip Chatterjee, Director, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, New Delhi gave the key note address for the virtual event. The Science Club conducted various events like science quiz competition, paper presentation, science model display, JAM, multimedia presentation and so on for the first year students.



A Myriad of Events

International Women's Day



The Sona Group of institutions and The Women Empowerment Club of Sona College of Technology celebrated International Women's Day on 8th March. Vice Chairman, Chocko Valliappa and Thyagu Valliappa, Dr. V. Karthikeyan, Principal, Thiagarajar Polytechnic College, Dr. S. R. R Senthil Kumar Principal, Sona College of Technology, Dr. G. M. Kadhar Nawaz, Principal, Sona College of Arts and Science, Dr. S. Madhan Kumar, Principal, Sona Medical College of Naturopathy and Yoga, Mrs. E. J. Kavitha, Principal Sona Valliappa Public School felicitated the women faculty and girl students on the occasion. Guest Speakers Dr. Joan Cook, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Yale University, USA and Dr. M Sri Devi, Consultant Obstetrician, Devi Hospital and Thamarai Fertility Centre, Salem spoke powerfully about work place challenges for women and how to manage them.

Mock Placement Drive



The IQ & EQ club of Sona College of Technology conducted a mock placement drive for the final year students facing employment. The drive included three levels namely written test, group discussion and HR round. The written test had questions on Mathematics, English & Reasoning. Group discussion is to assess the communication skills, listening ability, etiquette of a candidate, leadership qualities, convincing power, and knowledge of a candidate. The final round which is a HR round is to know about the candidate in terms of internship, work experience, industrial visit to the brands in a specific sector which increase the chances of selection. Basically, it evaluates the stability and confidence level of the candidate.

Creative Cluster

Civil Engineer

Cleverish community could Crack the code,
Indulge individual in idealistic implode.
Valiant and viable valor,
Inquisitive and innovative inventor
Laudable lads nonetheless lower;

Everybody envisages to explore Eiffel tower
Natively nicknamed as "le dame de fer".
Gol gumbaz's gobsmacked gallery,
Itaipu Dam an idiosyncratic imagery .
Netherland's north sea notched up ,
Eddy stone to enlighten up.
Empire state building with 92 story,
Retractable Bridge that is rotatory.

- by S.S.AMRITHA (Civil - First Yr)
Sona College of Technology, Salem

THEN AND NOW.....

We all grew up
From hearing stories to viewing stories
Sharing secrets to sharing password
Having bank account to having OTP acc
Life has changed, from what next to what to watch next
Starting a convo with hi.. Nah sharing a meme that's the trend
Slow and steady wins the race.. Yes it does that's why slow mo goes viral
Filter coffee to filters copied
Playing outdoor games as indoor games that techno made it possible
Lot of people interested in army but the bitter truth is just in games
Gallery full of pics as study material.. that's sad.. But the saddest part is deleting them after exams
Facing real battle was easy I guess than the sticker battle that keeps group active
Creating memories to exhaust phone memory..
Music, memes, movies became our frnds when no one was there..
We are quarantined... Not alone... But with our mobile..
For which there's no cure..

Yes this has been our routine... Which we follow sincerely....

A generation that has got everything but still feel empty.. That's us..

Yeah it was tough to write words briefly... Just trying to recollect the words.

- by Harini Soundharya. T (CSE - First Yr)
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NUMBER SEVEN A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN.....

What so special in number seven? It was made special by people who actually wore it and are still wearing it. David Beckham, Cristiano Ronaldo and many more. But there is one man who made the number special not just for his country but for the entire world. No offence in hating him but remember he is a rare phenomenon that can never happen again. Being best in every field is not easy, but he is the best. Nation comes first and everything else is next. Still don't know who he is? Just kidding, who doesn't know him? Not the best way to start his career. Started with a runout but ended up creating records in stumpings. From ticket collector to trophy collector, the struggles he faced is not known by all. May be his birth place is Ranchi but the whole world owns him, wants him. Synonym of simplicity, hardwork, determination, sincerity, dedication and what not. A small town boy turning out to be an inspiration for many is what is called the real achievement. Calm and composed nature that many lack is born with him. Creating records and he himself breaking them is one kind of satisfaction. Some say he is selfish, Huh! That's why he gives the trophy to his team mates, accepts defeat standing in the front, celebrates others achievement as his, doesn't concentrate on individual score. Giving opportunities to youngsters, who else has done it efficiently like him. He has been the favorite person not just among people but also among most of the cricketers all over the world. Fulfilling the prolonged dream of lifting world cup after 28 years, it's not a funny or an easy job. Helicopter shot, special wicket-keeping tactics, calm and composed behavior, all are known as typical trademark of this man. Not just that

mark of this man. Not just that, serving the nation in army as lieutenant colonel and having his own farm in Ranchi all show the love for his nation. A father who didn't see his daughter just because he was on national duty. He made everyone believe that any match can be won, kept people watch the match till it's officially over. Yeah I've hated him at times because he treats everyone equally, both the people who truly love him and people who hate him. That's who he is. He is Someone who had the ability to make Chennai as his second home, come on that's not easy. His nicknames are popular which makes us forget his real name thala, captain cool, mahi, MS, MSD, helicopter listening to those names is pure bliss you will know it only when you experience it. Decisions that are so accurate that umpires themselves know the man is right. Eventually which got changed admirably from DRS (Decision Review System) to DHONI REVIEW SYSTEM. When he is behind the stumps batsmen fear to leave the crease same as a lion coming out from the cage. Emotions are rarely shown by him, but whenever he shows them that's the end, no one can stand in front. Aged, that's what haters say but seeing vintage version of him at this age is what MSDIANS say. If someone asks what is success tell them from "being a fan of Sachin as a kid to featuring in Sachin's biopic is what is called the real success". Some may ask why are you going crazy about him when he has done nothing to you in person. Only answer is we have seen everything with him, be it criticism, pride, anything but he has always been loyal to us, to this nation so we are just paying him back and are being true to him. We have been with him during his happy times so will continue being in his tough times. Being a fan of him itself is a goosebump moment. Once a king always a king. Whether he is playing or not he will remain our captain, captain for lifetime. Proudly say that we are his fans. We were fans, we are fans, we will be his fans. We say with that pride as MSDIANS, which actually is our energy booster. Man behind all these is one and only MAHENDRA SINGH DHONI. Pride of Indian cricket. Nah.. pride of world cricket. Once an msdian always an msdian. Just made sure what he is to us, what he has given to us, how loving and cheerful a man can be. Words can never express his pride and his greatness. Whatever and wherever he is, he remains as the G.O.A.T. That childish smile, that damn smile will forever be remembered. Surely your absence will affect the team and fans but we are happy that you got to spend some time with your family. A legend was born, conquered the world and the name became irreplaceable and irresistible.

- by Harini Soundharya. T (CSE - First Yr)
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FIRST FLIGHT

One dream to fly high
To give the birds hi-fi
The time I float on air
Its my life's biggest dare
Moving in the wings
With the floating large winds
The time when I was close to the sun
Is the Happiest moment beyond fun
The moment I touch the clouds
Where my heart is filled with happy loads
I can't believe my sight
Because its my first flight

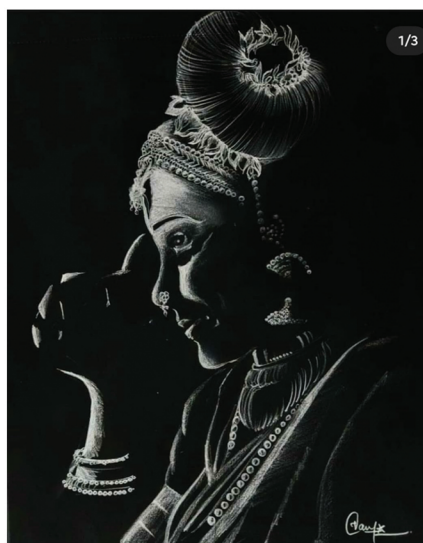
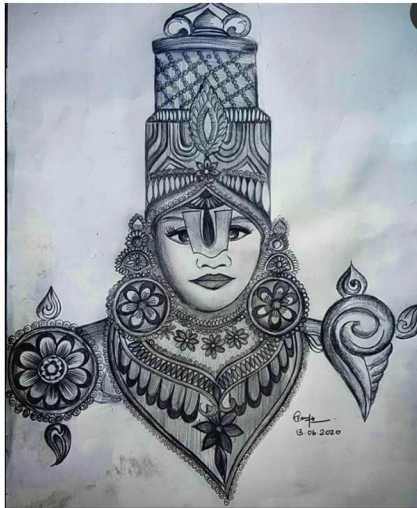
- by S. Ashanth (Mech - Final Yr)
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PRETTY UGLY

I'm very ugly
So don't try to convince me that
I'm a very beautiful person
Because at the end of the day
I hate myself in every single day...
And I'm not going to lie to myself by saying..
There is beauty inside me that matters.
So rest assured I will remind myself...
That I am a worthless, terrible person
And you say will make me believe,
I still deserve love
Because no matter what
I am not good enough to be loved
And I am in no position to believe that
Beauty doesn't exist with me
Because whenever I look at the mirror, I always think....
Am I as ugly as people say????!!!
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- by R. Mohamad Abbas (Mech - III Year)
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Black & White Blend



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