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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Investiture Ceremony

CMR PUBTM celebrated their Investiture Ceremony on the 1st of July 2025. Dr Tristha graced the occasion by pinning badges for the Council members, making this day a memorable one for the staff and students.

Head GIRL & HEAD BOY receiving their badge from Dr. Tristha Ramamurthy



Leadership Boot Camp at NAVA – A Transformative Experience

As a faculty member, witnessing our students grow beyond the classroom is always a rewarding experience. The recent Leadership **Boot Camp** held at NAVA was one such momentous event, curated to inspire, guide, and equip our student leaders from various campuses of CMR and EKYA with the real essence of leadership.

The camp was not just a gathering – it was a journey into self-awareness, responsibility, and impactful decision-making. Students had the rare opportunity to engage in meaningful interactions with Alumni who brought in diverse leadership.

Their insights on “what to execute” and more importantly “what not to”, shed light on the ethical and practical sides of leadership – especially in times of adversity.

Sessions were designed to challenge conventional thinking. A highlight of the day was a group drawing activity, where teams visually represented leadership traits and campus concerns. This not only fostered creativity and collaboration but also encouraged critical thinking in addressing real student issues. The sense of unity and mutual respect that emerged was truly heartening.

In addition to the structured learning, there was ample space for informal conversations over a well-organized breakfast session. This allowed students and faculty to bond and share thoughts freely in a more relaxed setting.

As an educator, it was fulfilling to see our learners absorb the value of reflection, accountability, and collective progress. The **Leadership Boot Camp** was more than an event – it was a reminder that leadership is not about titles but about action, empathy, and integrity.

Such platforms are vital in nurturing the leaders of tomorrow, and I am hopeful that the lessons learned at NAVA will echo positively throughout the coming academic year.

LEARNING BEYOND BOUNDARIES



Leadership Bootcamp at Ekya Nava: Building Future Leaders

On **9th July**, Ekya Nava hosted an inspiring **Leadership Bootcamp**, bringing together student leaders for a day dedicated to building skills, confidence, and a spirit of collaboration. The bootcamp focused on nurturing the qualities that define effective leadership—communication, decision-making, empathy, and resilience.

Through engaging workshops, team challenges, and thought-provoking discussions, students explored what it truly means to lead with purpose. Expert facilitators guided them through activities that tested their problem-solving abilities and encouraged them to think creatively and work cohesively.

One of the highlights was the peer-sharing circle, where students exchanged ideas, shared personal goals, and reflected on their own leadership journeys.

The energy at Ekya Nava was vibrant and focused—students left feeling inspired, motivated, and better equipped to take on responsibilities in their schools and communities. The bootcamp was not just a training session, but a meaningful step toward shaping tomorrow's leaders today.





Well-Being

July was dedicated to **Health and Wellness**, and the Well-Being Department engaged **PU students** in meaningful conversations around relationships, personal safety, and informed decision-making. The highlight was a comprehensive **Sex Education** session, designed to help students understand key concepts such as consent, healthy relationships, and how to recognise red flags in interpersonal dynamics. These discussions aimed to empower students with the knowledge and self-awareness needed to make responsible choices and navigate their personal lives with confidence and respect.

We also introduced students to the **POCSO Act** using age-appropriate language, ensuring they are aware of their rights, understand the importance of personal boundaries, and know how to seek help if needed. These sessions were handled with care, encouraging open dialogue while maintaining a safe and respectful environment.

In addition to student sessions, the Wellbeing team facilitated impactful workshops for teachers. One focused on **POCSO compliance**, helping staff stay aligned with child protection protocols, while another addressed sensitive but crucial topics such as **self-harm, body image, eating disorders, and teen relationships**. These sessions equipped teachers with practical strategies to support students effectively and empathetically.

As part of our ongoing commitment to professional growth, school counsellors also engaged in **Brief Solution-Focused Counselling** training—a student-centred approach that builds on strengths and promotes actionable change in a short time frame.

These initiatives reflect our continued effort to prioritise student well-being, ensuring that the PU community is supported, informed, and prepared to navigate the challenges of adolescence with clarity and confidence.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We have been conducting a series of focused bootcamps for staff members on **leveraging AI tools** and exploring practical applications of AI in day-to-day workflows across roles. Our **Pre-University educators** participated in a **Professional Development Day** to upskill themselves on 'Student Engagement.' We conducted a three-day in-person [workshop and field immersion](#) for candidates of our Postgraduate Diploma in **Early Childhood Education**. Held at the **CMR University City Campus**, the experience combined hands-on learning, peer collaboration, and real-world application of theory.

We have officially opened applications for the [ReThink Educator Certification Program](#), a three-month virtual learning journey designed for aspiring and in-service educators to deepen their understanding of progressive education practices.



STUDENT EDGE

Unanswered Mayday: The Crash That Shook a Nation

On June 12, 2025, Air India Flight 171, en route from Ahmedabad to London Gatwick, crashed just 30 seconds after takeoff, leaving the nation in shock. The Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner lost power mid-air and crashed into the hostel block of B.J. Medical College in Ahmedabad, causing explosions and a massive fire.

The aircraft, with 240 passengers and 10 crew members, was piloted by Captain Sumeet Sabharwal (55), who had over 8,200 flight hours, and First Officer Clive Kunder (32), with around 1,100 hours. The flight had just lifted off from Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport at 1:38 PM when it began to descend instead of gaining altitude. A mayday call was sent, reporting a loss of power and thrust. Moments later, the aircraft struck buildings in a residential area within the hospital campus.

Eyewitnesses reported multiple explosions and thick smoke rising from the crash site. Rescue operations began almost immediately, with over 300 firefighters and 60 fire vehicles responding. Despite their quick action, the devastation was immense – 241 people on board lost their lives, and 19 people on the ground were also killed. Around 60 others were injured.

Amazingly, one person survived: Vishwash Kumar Ramesh, a 40-year-old British citizen. Seated next to an emergency exit, he managed to escape from the wreckage after the section of the aircraft he was in broke away and landed near the hostel's ground floor. Though injured and disoriented, he was rescued and treated in the hospital.

The aftermath saw a massive outpouring of grief. Air India, under the Tata Group, announced a ₹1 crore compensation for the families of the deceased and ₹1.5 crore as per the Montreal Convention. They also extended financial support to the families of those who died or were injured on the ground and promised to help rebuild the damaged medical college.

This disaster, now one of the worst in Indian aviation history, has raised serious concerns about aircraft safety and maintenance. While investigations are ongoing, the crash has already triggered urgent calls for stronger aviation regulations and better training for crew members.

The story of Flight 171 serves as a grim reminder of how fragile life can be – and how even a short moment in the skies can leave behind a legacy of heartbreak, reform, and resilience. For the students of B.J. Medical College and the sole survivor, life will never be the same again.

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LEADERSHIP CORNER

Exploring Career Opportunities for Commerce Students

As an educator of Commerce, I often encounter questions from students and parents about the viability of commerce as a stream and the career opportunities it offers. I'm always glad to say that commerce is not only a highly practical and relevant field but also one that opens a wide array of career paths across industries. Whether students choose to pursue professional courses, business ventures, or corporate roles, the commerce stream lays a strong foundation for future success.

To begin with, commerce students can opt for **traditional professional courses** such as **Chartered Accountancy (CA), Company Secretary (CS), Cost and Management Accountancy (CMA), and Certified Financial Planner (CFP)**. These qualifications are highly respected and offer rewarding careers in accounting, finance, and corporate law. Students with strong analytical and numerical skills often excel in these fields.

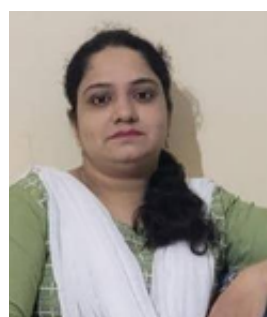
Another popular path is pursuing a **Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com) degree**, which can be followed by **Master's programs** such as **M.Com, MBA (Master of Business Administration), or M.A. in Economics**. An MBA, in particular, opens doors to managerial and executive roles in marketing, finance, human resources, and international business. Specializations within these programs allow students to focus on their specific interests. For those inclined towards law, **commerce provides an excellent background for a career in corporate law**. Many students go on to pursue **B.Com + LLB or BBA + LLB** programs, which are in high demand in today's business-driven legal environment. Corporate lawyers, compliance officers, and legal advisors are highly sought after, especially in multinational companies.

In the digital age, there is also a growing interest in fields like **digital marketing, e-commerce, business analytics, and financial technology (fintech)**. Commerce students with a knack for technology can thrive in these emerging areas. Certifications in digital marketing, data analytics, and investment banking can complement a commerce degree and enhance employability. Entrepreneurship is another exciting avenue. With a foundation in business principles, finance, and economics, many commerce students go on to launch startups or join family businesses. Today's ecosystem is supportive of young entrepreneurs, with government schemes and startup incubators providing mentorship and funding.

Commerce students are also well-equipped for **competitive exams** like **UPSC** (for civil services), **SSC**, banking exams, and exams for public sector undertakings (**PSUs**). Their understanding of economics, current affairs, and general aptitude gives them an edge in these fields. Finally, let's not forget the opportunities in **academia and research**. Students who enjoy teaching and learning can pursue higher studies and qualify for positions as lecturers, professors, or researchers in universities and think tanks.

In conclusion, commerce is a versatile stream that caters to a wide range of interests and aspirations. My message to students is this: explore your interests, build strong foundational skills, and don't hesitate to pursue unconventional paths. The world of commerce is dynamic and ever-evolving – and there is a place in it for everyone who is prepared and passionate.

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