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Year in
Retrospect**Nitin Rane**Vice Chancellor
Avantika University

The academic year 2025–26 has been a year of growth, achievement and expanding opportunities at Avantika University. Staying true to our philosophy of Create, Change, Transform, the University continued to strengthen experiential learning and academic excellence, while creating wider opportunities for our students.

The year began with the Orientation Programme for the eighth batch of cohorts and the commencement of the School of Agriculture, marking an important expansion of our multidisciplinary academic ecosystem. The inauguration of the Lab Complex was another significant milestone in strengthening our project-based learning environment.

The academic year was enriched by a series of important academic and intellectual engagements. We hosted the third edition of TEDx Avantika, and celebrated our 9th Foundation Day in the presence of distinguished guests, including Padma Shri awardees Shri Ramesh Parmar and Shrimati Shanti Parmar. The University also hosted the

Young Thinkers Confluence, which brought Hon’ble Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Mohan Ji Yadav, filmmaker Vivek Agnihotri and other distinguished personalities to our campus.

Our commitment to holistic development was reflected in the three-day National Workshop on ‘चरित्र निर्माण एवं व्यक्तित्व का समग्र विकास’, organised in collaboration with leading institutions from Ujjain and Madhya Pradesh. The workshop was graced by Dr. Atul Kothari, National Secretary, Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan Nyas, and Shri Inder Singh Parmar, Higher Education Minister of Madhya Pradesh. We also organised an NPTEL Awareness Workshop in collaboration with IIT Kanpur and a special lecture series by historian and astronomer Mr. Nilesh Nilkanth Oak on the antiquity of Indian civilization.

Campus life continued to provide students with opportunities to learn, participate and express themselves beyond the classroom. Annual Fests such as ATHLOS and HUES, along with celebration of various festivals, the Alumni Meet ‘Nostalgia’, and other student activities, brought together the Avantika community through sports, culture and shared experiences. Industrial visits, outbound programmes and excursions further complemented classroom learning by connecting students with industry, society and different cultural contexts.

Collaboration over Competition continues to be one of our guiding values. Our academic and professional network has expanded through relationships with global universities, industry partners, academic alliances and professional bodies. Collaborations with La Roche University and Penn State University have strengthened our academic engagement, while initiatives under the Consortium for Promoting Internationalization in Madhya Pradesh have created opportunities for international bootcamps, study-abroad sessions, and opened new avenues for international academic engagement across the state.

Our international engagement also expanded through academic

partnerships, faculty interactions and student mobility. Engagements with universities in the United Kingdom, the summer research internship at Teesside University, and participation in Dubai Design Week 2025 have helped bring a wider global perspective to the Avantika learning experience.

Research and innovation remained an important part of our academic journey. Faculty members continued to contribute through research, publications, intellectual property and academic engagements, while students carried this spirit forward through hackathons, competitions, entrepreneurial initiatives and projects addressing real-world challenges. Our students and alumni continued to bring recognition to the University through achievements across design, engineering, management, law and other disciplines.

Beyond academics, Avantika continued to embrace its responsibility towards the larger community through the NSS Wing, including the adoption of five villages, as well as various outreach and social initiatives. These experiences, together with our academic, cultural and industry engagements, reflect our belief that learning is most powerful when it is active, applied and connected to the real world.

Looking back at the year, Avantika University continues to grow as an institution where academic learning, creativity, research, industry engagement and global exposure come together. As we move forward, our endeavour remains to create an environment where students are encouraged to think independently, explore new possibilities and use their learning to make a meaningful difference.

The Spirit of Avantika

Design at Avantika is an active verb & not a passive noun

The spirit is embedded across all disciplines at Avantika. Design-centric learning at Avantika starts with engaging the learners to confront challenges. The learners will solve these challenges through analysis, reflection, ideation, synthesis, prototyping, and testing the impact. As the academic program progresses, these challenges change in terms of their scale, complexity, and ambiguity involved. Learners invest energy, time, and effort into these tasks. This approach leads them to ask questions and seek answers by reflection, collaboration, and interaction. The faculty members act as facilitators and collaborators in this endeavor. Learning at Avantika is just in time and not just in-case.

Vision

Avantika aims to nurture and cultivate young minds who will serve as enlightened citizens, bringing a positive change in the society.

Core Features

#Designeering

- Foster critical, lateral, and analytical thinking
- Focus on how to learn and not what to learn
- Sensitivity and alertness as world citizens
- Spirit of design, innovation, and enterprise
- Liberal and creative approach to education
- Project and problem-based learning
- Qualitative, relevant, and contemporary education
- Harbor intellectual and practical dexterity - Skillset and Mindset
- Promote independent thinking and intellectual boldness

Values

#Create, Change, Transform

- Freedom of Thinking
- Academic Rigor and Excellence
- Integrity and Diligence
- Collaboration over Competition
- Individuality, Diversity, and Universality
- Social and Moral responsibility

Objectives

- To be a leader in the field of higher education, aiding growth in frontier areas of national importance.
- To be a Center of Excellence in Design, Innovation, Research, and Development.
- To be a Finishing School with Extension, Outreach, and Community programs for various strata of society.
- To identify local, regional, national, and global needs, and promote academic growth by offering undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs in varied disciplines.
- To inculcate and promote the spirit and culture of design, innovation, enterprise, leadership, tolerance, and camaraderie amongst all concerned.
- To create a positive environment, complemented by adequate facilities and resources in which, students and faculty pursue their ideas with rigor and integrity.
- To develop a participatory learning model, that is innovative and enjoyable while being meticulous and comprehensive at the same time.
- To recruit and retain excellent faculty from around the globe and provide inclusive teaching at all levels; to transform students into winning personalities and complete human beings.
- To produce graduates who are adaptable and alert to the benefits of lifelong learning and who meet the requirements of employers at local, national, and international levels across varied sectors.
- To enhance interaction and cooperation between researchers for interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary work; by forging academic and research collaborations with national and international universities, governments, and industries.
- To establish links with various R&D organizations and funding agencies for sponsored and contract research in frontier areas of science and engineering.
- To strengthen the industry-institute interface through training, academic projects, sponsored projects, and collaborative research with industry.
- To promote extension, outreach, and field programs in industrial, educational, and socially relevant areas, for students and the community at large.

Academics

Academic Programs

Avantika University offers the following academic programs,

The programs are based on an interdisciplinary curriculum with a philosophy of design-centered education.

Academics - List of Programs:

- Bachelor of Design
- Master of Design
- Bachelor of Technology
- Bachelor of Computer Application
- Master of Computer Applications
- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Master of Business Administration
- Integrated MBA
- Executive MBA
- Bachelor of Commerce (Hons.)
- BALLB
- BBALLB
- B.Sc (Agriculture)
- Doctor of Philosophy

School of Design



Prof. Raghav Pandya
Dean - School of Design

The School of Design, led by Prof. Raghav Pandya as the Dean, offered B.Des, M.Des, and PhD programs during the academic session of 2025-26. The School of Design saw tremendous growth and achievements this year. The B. Des program was offered in Industrial Design, Interior and Furniture Design, Transportation Design, Graphic Design, Animation Design, Game Design, User Experience Design and Fashion Design. At the same time the M.Des program offered specializations in Industrial Design, Interior and Furniture Design, Transportation Design, Graphic Design, Animation Design, User Experience Design and Interaction Design.

Students further benefited from more than 14 industry visits and 9 i-Connect sessions featuring industry experts on campus.

While two students won Prestigious Toyota design challenge (global winners), with 3000 euro as cash prize. They also won silver prize in DBEW awards which was felicitated in Milan Design week 26. Another Alumni won the “The best Design award 2026” in transportation design category.

This year also witnessed international exposures to students and faculties, our faculties and students visited prestigious Dubai Design week, Japan Design study tours, Teesside University UK for international exchange summer programs.

School celebrated Its another edition of YDL with 150 plus

entries from prominent design universities across India. The prizes were sponsored by hi-class industry while jurors and mentors joined from prestigious design studio to meet and talk the winners at the campus.

School also bagged last phase of the Pranpur redevelopment project where faculties and students participated in the work of retouching the aesthetics of houses of artisans. With constant efforts of school of design, the Pranpur village has shown significant growth in the footfall of visitors that ultimately improvised the livelihood of artisans. School has strengthened its ties with MP tourism board and in the final stage of receiving multiple projects in the field of art and craft.

The semester-end juries showcased the students' work, receiving multiple accolades from visitors.

Kartik Kumawat
B.Des
Industrial Design

Pradhnya Gandhi
B.Des
Industrial Design

Mohit Joshi
B.Des
Industrial Design

Adya Srivastava
B.Des
Graphic Design

Amrutha Rajesh
B.Des
Graphic Design

Tanay Kulkarni
B.Des
Graphic Design

Devika Kulkarni
B.Des
Animation Design

Divyansh Singh
B.Des
Animation Design

Sayali Shinde
B.Des
User Experience Design

Subarshni N
B.Des
User Experience Design

Vaishnavi Shidore
B.Des
User Experience Design

Brahmrita Sharma
B.Des
Fashion Design

Toppers of the Session

Rishiraj Roy B.Des Game Design	Adwitiya Banerjee B.Des Animation Design	Yash Dudhe B.Des User Experience Design	Jahnavi Kotian B.Des Interior & Furniture Design
Varshitha Kodavati B.Des Interior & Furniture Design	Ananya Bhagwat B.Des Animation Design	Parth Lambole B.Des User Experience Design	Siyona B.Des Interior & Furniture Design
Ganpathy I S B.Des Transportation Design	Riddhi B.Des Animation Design	Mihika Lagwankar B.Des User Experience Design	Rohit P Ambadi B.Des Transportation Design
Malhar Amit Gadnis B.Des Industrial Design	Mrinmayee Modak B.Des Graphic Design	Vanshika Ravindra ukande B.Des Fashion Design	Barnil B Kashyap B.Des Animation Design
Rohini Ghosh B.Des Industrial Design	Anusuya Datta Choudhury B.Des Graphic Design	Parismita Kalita B.Des Fashion Design	Vyuha V G B.Des Animation Design
Anuja Avinash Malpure B.Des Industrial Design	Udayan Debnath B.Des Graphic Design	Ohm Sharma B.Des Game Design	Bhagyashree Ashish Dhakate B.Des Animation Design

Toppers of the Session

Swetha S B.Des Graphic Design	Sarvesh Sharad Duraphe B.Des User Experience Design	Bikash Kumar B.Des Game Design	B Simharaj M.Des Animation Design
Anjali Vinod Nair B.Des Graphic Design	Harshita Sharma B.Des User Experience Design	Krish Kislay B.Des Interior & Furniture Design	Pritikana Biswas M.Des Industrial Design
Akshat Yadav B.Des Graphic Design	Krishna Chandrakant Gawli B.Des User Experience Design	Ananya Monga B.Des Interior & Furniture Design	Robert Ramana R M.Des Interaction Design
Amruth Vinod B.Des Industrial Design	Ananya Bhoosreddy B.Des Fashion Communication	Bhumi Khandelwal B.Des Interior & Furniture Design	Palak Shashivadan Chokshi M.Des Interior & Furniture Design
Vishwa Kirankumar Rana B.Des Industrial Design	Apurva Patil B.Des Fashion Design	Rateesh Mistry B.Des Transportation Design	Harne Atharva Rajesh M.Des User Experience Design
Khushi Vinod B.Des Industrial Design	Asmithaa S B.Des Game Design	Saumil Jaydeep Phanse B.Des Transportation Design	Sourav Ketan Sahu M.Des User Experience Design

Toppers of the Session

Disha Madhukumar

M.Des
User Experience Design

Gitali Ajmera

M.Des
Graphic Design

Niharika Niranjan Kinikar

M.Des
Graphic Design

Rishav Bisht

M.Des
Animation Design

Tanaya Deshpande

M.Des
Industrial Design

Hitanshi Gajera

M.Des
Interaction Design

Namrata malaychandan
Mazumdar

M.Des
Interior & Furniture Design

Yashwini Rajaram
Gawande

M.Des
User Experience Design

Mansi Matkar

M.Des
User Experience Design

Anisha Mandal

M.Des
User Experience Design

Shubham Sharma

M.Des
Graphic Design

Yashwini Ahuja

M.Des
Graphic Design

Anvi Patodi

B.Des
Foundation
(Communication Design)

Rimjhim Pal

B.Des
Foundation
(Communication Design)

Raya Ravikumar

B.Des
Foundation
(Communication Design)

Shreyas Bodas

B.Des
Foundation
(Communication Design)

Insiya Kader Jiwa Bhai Wala

B.Des
Foundation (Fashion Design)

Kadam Gargi Kiran

B.Des
Foundation (Industrial Design)

Bhoir Aditi Dilip

B.Des
Foundation
(Industrial Design)

Avani.P

B.Des
Foundation
(Industrial Design)

Avenya Agrawal

B.Des
Foundation
(User Experience Design)

Jitesh Krishna

B.Des
Foundation
(User Experience Design)

Vyuha V G

B.Des
Foundation
(User Experience Design)

“The goal of education is the advancement of
knowledge and the dissemination of truth.”

-John F. Kennedy

School of Engineering & School of Agriculture



Prof. (Dr.) Surendra N. Rahamatkar

Pro Vice-Chancellor & Dean - School of Engineering & School of Agriculture

Led by Prof. (Dr.) Surendra N. Rahamatkar, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean, the School of Engineering (SoE) and the School of Agriculture (SoA) at Avantika University have continued to make remarkable strides in academic excellence, innovation, and industry integration. Over the past year, School of Engineering has evolved into a vibrant hub for nurturing future-ready professionals.

Our academic portfolio now spans Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering [BTech (CSE)], Bachelor of Technology in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning [BTech in AI/ML (in collaboration with HCL Tech)], Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA), Bachelor of Science in Computer Science [BSc (CS)], Bachelor of Science in Agriculture [BSc (Agriculture)], Master of Computer Applications (MCA), and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programmes, enriched with cutting-edge specializations in Artificial Intelligence, Data Science, Cyber Security, Cloud Computing, Full Stack Development, and UI/UX Engineering. The curriculum is designed on Industry 4.0 principles, seamlessly blending coursework, research, and innovation with project-based and experiential learning.

We have significantly strengthened our ecosystem with new Centres of Excellence and academies, including the HCL Technologies CoE, CISCO Academy, RedHat Academy, Infosys SpringBoard, NASSCOM Learning Center, and the Indian Institute of Technology Delhi Virtual Lab Nodal Centre. Strategic collaborations with

Microsoft, Google, MongoDB, GeeksforGeeks, and Sunrize Mentors have further elevated industry exposure for our learners.

Our students continue to shine on national platforms, with a notable highlight being their victory at the National-Level Hackathon. More than 40 Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) were filed in the academic year 2025–26, reflecting our thriving culture of innovation. Several student-led projects also secured start-up grants under the Young India Ingh Ko-Creation through Knowledge and Innovation (YUKTI) initiative by the Ministry of Education (MoE) and Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) schemes, reinforcing our commitment to entrepreneurship.

Beyond academics, holistic development remains a priority. Learners actively participated in hackathons, innovation challenges, cultural events, sports, and industry-connect sessions. Tech bootcamps, expert lectures, hands-on workshops, and visits to leading companies have further enriched their overall learning experience. Studio, Photography and Video Studios, transportation studio, Game Studio are few to mention here.

Toppers of the Session

Manav Shrivastava

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Ruchika Moreshwar Sonkusare

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Sneha Prajapati

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Lochan Garg

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Aashmita Tiwari

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Prince Jaiswal

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Raghav Pathak

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Shravan Goyal

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Rupal Hada

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering

Mehran Ahmed Qureshi

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering
AIML

Aditya Kumar Singh

B.Tech
Computer Science & Engineering
AIML

Toppers of the Session

Tanishka Chouhan

BCA
Computer Applications

Saumya Joshi

BCA
Computer Applications

Sneha Patel

BCA
Computer Applications

Mariya Kangsiwala

BCA
Computer Applications

Bhumika Jain

BCA
Computer Applications

Ravee Verma

BCA
Computer Applications

Pratha Nagar

BCA
Computer Applications

Vaidika Shivhare

BCA
Computer Applications

Naitik Soni

BCA
Data Science

Yash Singh

MCA
Computer Applications

Aadarsh Upadhyay

B.SC
AGRICULTURE

School of Management



Prof. (Dr.) Harish B. Bapat

Dean - School of Management

The world of business is undergoing a profound transformation, driven by a new global business order, technological disruption, artificial intelligence, analytics, entrepreneurship, and rapidly evolving markets. At the School of Management, Avantika University, we believe that management education must transcend conventional classrooms to cultivate the ability to think critically, innovate fearlessly, make informed decisions, lead with purpose, and create meaningful impact. As a proud part of the prestigious MIT Group of Institutions, Avantika University carries a legacy of excellence, innovation, and transformative education. Our programmes integrate project-based learning, block teaching, flipped classrooms, experiential learning, value education, skill development, and strong industry engagement. In line

with the evolving demands of industry, we have introduced contemporary specializations in Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA), including Business Analytics, Entrepreneurship, Banking, Financial Services and Insurance (BFSI), and Retail Management, preparing our students to be future-ready and industry-relevant.

The academic year has been a remarkable one for the School of Management, marked by significant achievements. Our faculty members secured research grants and undertook consultancy projects, while faculty and students contributed to scholarly research through publications in reputed journals and the registration of intellectual property rights. Our flagship event, AMUN, received widespread appreciation for its academic depth and global orientation. Students secured placements with reputed organisations and attractive packages, while the Eureka Project provided them with valuable international exposure through an academic visit to Poland.

Our industry partnerships with organisations such as HCL Technologies and Bajaj Finserv further strengthen the integration of academic learning with real-world business practice.

I invite aspiring young minds to join us in transforming curiosity into competence, ideas into innovation, and ambition into purposeful leadership. The future belongs to those who are prepared to create it.

Toppers of the Session

Madhurya Surana
BBA

Niket Goswami
BBA

Shubhi Bhawsar
BBA

Nitin Patidar
B.COM

Hussain Sethwala
IMBA

Batul Kharsod wala
BBA

Samrat Jain
BBA

Niti Sharma
BBA

Aarya Yadav
BBA AI

qusai kader jiwa bhai wala
BBA AI

Bhoomi Vishwakarma
B.COM

Vijaya Srinivasan
B.COM

Toppers of the Session

Paridhi Jain

IMBA

Shobhita Jain

MBA

Swapnil Nagar

MBA

Anushka Bohra

MBA

Prachi Mavri

MBA AI

Sanskriti Samadhiya

MBA AI

Divyanshi Soni

BBA

Kratika Soni

BBA

Rashida Latthawala

BBA

Prerna Lalawat

MBA

Ruchi Kumari

MBA

Unnati Sahu

MBA

“Education is not preparation for life;
education is life itself.”

-John Dewey

School of Law & Public Policy



Dr. Sumit Maheshwari

Dean - School of Law & Public Policy

Welcome to the School of Law and Public Policy at Avantika University—a place where future legal professionals, policymakers, and leaders are empowered to learn, innovate, and create meaningful change.

The study of law today goes far beyond understanding statutes and courtroom practice. It is about shaping public policy, strengthening democratic institutions, protecting constitutional values, and addressing the complex challenges of an ever-changing world. At the School of Law and Public Policy, we believe that legal education should inspire students not only to excel in their professions but also to contribute responsibly to society. Our goal is to nurture

individuals who combine legal knowledge with ethical leadership, critical thinking, and a commitment to public service.

Our academic programmes—Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws (Honours) [B.A. LL.B. (Hons.)], Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Laws (Honours) [BBA LL.B. (Hons.)], and Master of Laws (LL.M.)—are designed to provide students with a strong foundation in legal principles while preparing them for the realities of modern legal practice. Learning extends well beyond the classroom through moot court competitions, client counselling, debates, legal aid activities, research projects, internships, and other experiential opportunities that develop practical skills, confidence, and professional competence.

A defining strength of our School is its dedicated faculty, comprising accomplished academicians, experienced legal practitioners, and policy experts. Their guidance and mentorship create a stimulating academic environment where students are encouraged to question, analyse, innovate, and grow into thoughtful legal professionals capable of adapting to a rapidly evolving legal landscape.

Our commitment to excellence is reflected in the key initiatives we have undertaken this year. We successfully launched the Pan-India Moot Court Competition, Crime Scene Investigation Competition, International Conference, Faculty Development Programme, and the Journal for Public Policy and Law Review, providing students with invaluable

opportunities to strengthen their advocacy, research, and problem-solving skills. NGOs, facilitating mandatory internships that provide invaluable practical experience.

The School is ready to expand further, committed to developing future legal professionals who are academically skilled, socially aware, and ethically sound. We motivate all students to embrace opportunities and pursue excellence.

Toppers of the Session

Aashiti Gupta

BBALLB

Khushi Lodhwal

BALLB

Atharv Bhatkhande

BBALLB

Vaidika Pandey

BALLB

Sudhanshu Singh Solanki

BBALLB

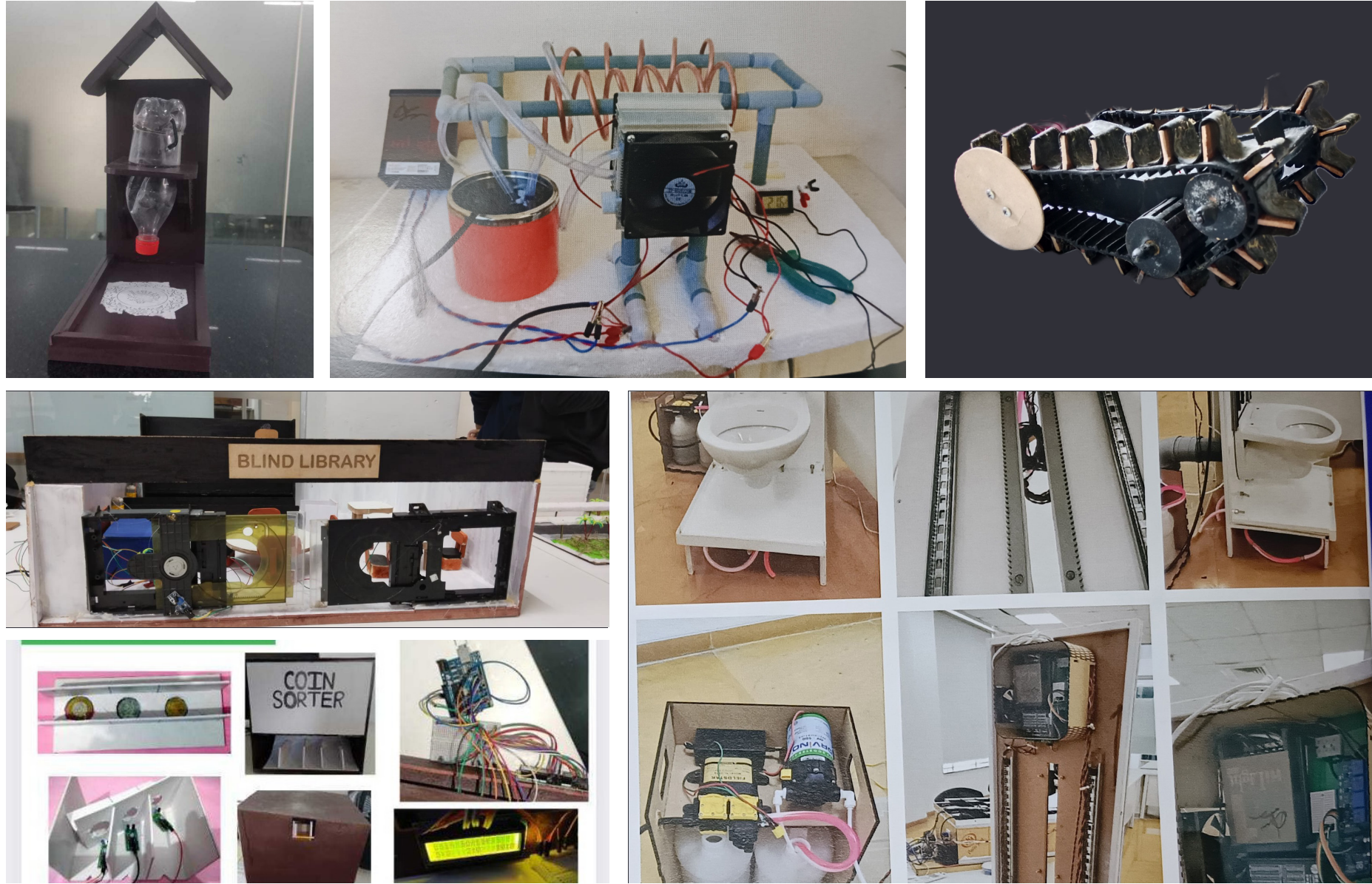
Ronak Anjana

BALLB

Student Work (School of Design)



Student Work (School of Engineering)



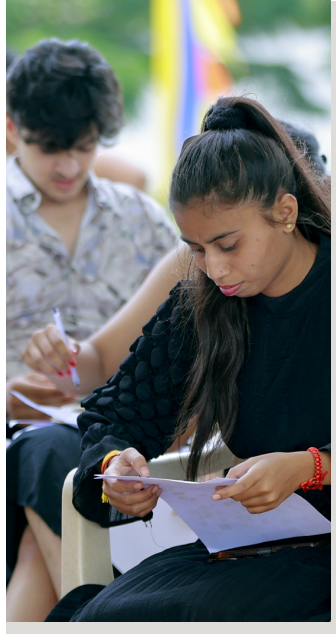
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Significant Activities

Aarambh 2025 – School of Design Orientation Programme

The School of Design welcomed its incoming batch through Aarambh 2025, which commenced on 1st July 2025 with an interactive parent session and was formally inaugurated on 2nd July 2025 by Vice Chancellor Dr. Nitin Rane and Registrar Dr. Manesh Patil.

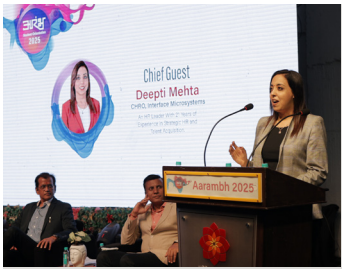
The comprehensive orientation featured inspiring D'Talks by distinguished industry experts, including Mr. Prateek Sethi, Mr. Aaquib Wani, Mr. Vaibhav Kumaresh and Mr. Gaurav Juyal. Accompanied by faculty introductions and interactive workshops on design thinking, collaboration and creative problem-solving, the programme enabled students to begin their academic journey with a strong understanding of the University's vibrant academic ecosystem.



EML Orientation Programme 2025

The orientation programme for the School of Engineering, School of Management and School of Law and Public Policy was conducted from 29th July to 2nd August 2025. The inaugural ceremony featured an address by Vice Chancellor Dr. Nitin Rane, who welcomed new students and felicitated distinguished industry leaders Ms. Deepti Mehta and Mr. Dhiraj Sharma.

Throughout the five-day programme, students were introduced to academic regulations, student services, technology platforms, clubs and co-curricular opportunities. The programme concluded with interactive workshops, motivational sessions by Mr. Amber Arondekar and curriculum presentations by Deans and faculty members.



Spinaker/Eureka Collaboration with Lodz University of Technology, Poland

Avantika University strengthened its global academic engagement through its partnership with Lodz University of Technology, Poland, under the EUREKA Project, 'Global Challenges, Local Solutions', supported by the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA).

Twenty students from School of Design, School of Engineering and School of Management participated in a fully funded international academic mobility programme supported by a competitive grant of ₹63.24 lakhs, making Avantika University the sole Indian institution selected under this prestigious initiative during the 2025–2026 academic year.



Avantika Model United Nations 2025

The School of Management organized the three-day Avantika Model United Nations 2025 from 31st July to 2nd August 2025.

The conference brought together over 350 delegates across seven specialized committees, successfully fostering leadership, diplomacy, public speaking and critical global problem-solving skills among participating youth.



Ek Pahal – Vidhik Paramarsh Manch (Free Legal Consultancy Camp)

The Pro Bono Club at the School of Law and Public Policy organised 'Vidhik Paramarsh Manch', a free legal consultancy camp under its flagship initiative 'Ek Pahal', on 12th September 2025.

Conducted in collaboration with the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law & Justice, Government of India and the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Ujjain, the camp offered free legal consultations on personal legal matters, reinforcing the school's vision of combining legal education with real-time social service and access to justice.



Vidhi Club Inauguration & Inter- School Seminar

The Vidhi Club at the School of Law and Public Policy was inaugurated on 16th September 2025, marked by an Inter-School Seminar on 'Corporate Governance and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)' delivered by Dr. Mahasweta Sengupta.

Students from School of Management and School of Law and Public Policy participated actively in the seminar. The inauguration also marked the announcement of the Club's core team and student members, formally commencing its academic and co-curricular activities for the year.



9th Foundation Day and National Workshop

The University celebrated its 9th Foundation Day in September 2025 alongside a three-day National Workshop on Character Building and Holistic Personality Development, organised jointly with Vikram University and Maharshi Panini Sanskrit Evam Vedic Vishwavidyalaya.



Inauguration of Akriti Academic Building and Youth Thinkers' Forum 2025

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Mohan Yadav, inaugurated the University's new academic building, 'Akriti' and the Youth Thinkers' Forum 2025 on 11th October 2025 in the presence of noted filmmaker Shri Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri.

The inauguration substantially expanded the University's cutting-edge academic infrastructure, modern learning facilities and platforms for intellectual discourse and youth engagement.



Athlos 2026

The Sports Department organised Athlos 2026, a four-day annual sports festival held between January and February 2026, featuring competitive events in athletics, cricket, football, volleyball and basketball.

The festival also hosted badminton, chess, table tennis, powerlifting and various indoor games, promoting physical fitness, discipline, teamwork, sportsmanship and holistic student development.



Aarooha 2026 – Annual Sports, Cultural and Innovation Festival

Avantika University successfully hosted Aarooha 2026 in early 2026, its flagship annual festival integrating sports, culture, innovation and student creativity across the campus.

The multi-faceted festival featured the Young Designers League, innovation competitions, vibrant fashion show, cultural performances and the official premiere of the short film 'FIRSE'!



TEDx Avantika University 2026 – “Beyond Why”

Avantika University hosted TEDxAvantika University 2026 under the inspiring theme 'Beyond Why' to foster deep intellectual curiosity and innovative thinking.

The event brought together eminent speakers, visionary industry leaders and innovators who shared transformative ideas and inspired students through thought-provoking talks and meaningful interactive discussions.



5th Convocation – Samahvan 2025 & Alumni Day – Abhyudaya

The University organised its 5th Convocation, Samahvan 2025, on 14th December 2025, celebrating the momentous graduation of students from School of Design, School of Engineering and School of Management alongside the unveiling of the majestic Maa Vagdevi Statue.

The convocation ceremony was preceded by Alumni Day – Abhyudaya, which provided graduates a cherished opportunity to reconnect with their alma mater, share industry experiences and mentor current students.



Statutory Meetings

The following meetings of the statutory committees of the university were conducted during the academic year 2025–26.

Governing Body

Three meetings of the Governing Body were conducted in the session 2025–26. The 25th meeting on 11th September 2025, the 26th meeting on 9th December 2025, and the 27th meeting on 30th March 2026. All three meetings were presided over by the Hon. Chancellor, Dr. Sanjay Govind Dhande. The Hon. Vice Chancellor, Dr. Nitin Rane, presented the report of the university, and the agenda points were discussed and confirmed.

Board of Management

Six meetings of the Board of Management were conducted in the session 2025–26. The 44th meeting on 8th July 2025, the 45th meeting on 8th September 2025, the 46th meeting on 31st October 2025, the 47th meeting on 30th December 2025, the 48th meeting on 13th March 2026, and the 49th meeting on 4th May 2026. All the meetings were presided over by the Hon. Vice Chancellor, Dr. Nitin Rane, who also presented the report of the university, and the agenda points were discussed and confirmed.

Academic Council

Two meetings of the Academic Council were conducted in the session 2025–26. The 18th meeting on 3rd December 2025 and the 19th meeting on 5th June 2026. Both meetings were presided over by the Hon. Vice Chancellor, Dr. Nitin Rane, who also presented the report of the university, and the agenda points were discussed and confirmed.

Finance Committee

Two meetings of the Finance Committee were conducted in the session 2025–26. The 16th meeting on 2nd September 2025 and the 17th meeting on 23rd February 2026. Both meetings were presided over by the Hon. Vice Chancellor, Dr. Nitin Rane, who also presented the report of the university, and the agenda points were discussed and confirmed.

“Education is one thing no one can
take away from you.”

-Elin Nordegren

Achievement

Global Presence Strengthened Through Round University Rankings (RUR) 2025

Avantika University secured the 1,025th position among 2,444 universities worldwide and the 22nd position among 51 ranked universities in India in the Round University Rankings (RUR) 2025. The ranking highlighted the University’s growing global presence in teaching, research and internationalisation.

Design Leadership Recognised in IIRF Design Rankings 2026

The School of Design secured the 1st rank in Madhya Pradesh and the 5th rank in India in the IIRF Design Rankings 2026. The achievement recognised the school’s excellence in design education, interdisciplinary learning, creative innovation and industry-oriented pedagogy.

National Distinction in the India Today Best Universities Survey 2025

Avantika University secured the 63rd rank nationally in the India Today Best Universities Survey 2025 under the Postgraduate Category. The recognition reflected the University’s continued commitment to academic excellence, quality education, student development and institutional performance.

Excellence in Technical Education Recognised by Dataquest Best T-School Rankings 2026

The School of Engineering secured the 3rd rank among Government and Private Top T-Schools in Madhya Pradesh, the 85th rank among Private Top T-Schools in India and the 90th rank among Government and Private Top T-Schools in India in the Dataquest Best T-School Rankings 2026. The recognition acknowledged the school’s continued excellence in technical education, innovation and industry-oriented learning.

Platinum Band in Green Rankings 2026

Avantika University retained the Platinum Band in the Green Rankings 2026, reaffirming its commitment to environmental sustainability, green campus initiatives and responsible institutional practices.

Mental Health & Wellbeing Rankings 2025 – Platinum Band Achievement

Avantika University achieved the Platinum Band and secured the 3rd rank nationally in the Mental Health & Wellbeing Rankings 2025. The recognition acknowledged the University’s sustained efforts towards student wellbeing, mental health awareness, inclusivity and the creation of a supportive learning environment.

Grant Approval Under MSME Idea Hackathon 4.0

Avantika University received a grant approval of ₹52.75 lakhs under MSME Idea Hackathon 4.0, a flagship initiative of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), facilitated through the Edugild Innovation Foundation. The grant strengthened the University’s innovation and incubation ecosystem while fostering entrepreneurship, research-driven innovation and technology-based solutions among students and faculty members.

Major Research Project Funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)

Dr. Masuma Mehta, Associate Dean-School of Management secured a Major Research Project funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) with a sanctioned grant of ₹16 lakhs. The project strengthened the University’s research ecosystem by promoting policy-oriented research and contributing to academic knowledge in the field of social sciences.

Erasmus KA171 Academic Mobility Grant Awarded to the Vice Chancellor

Dr. Nitin Rane, Vice Chancellor, received the prestigious Erasmus KA171 Academic Mobility Grant, enabling his participation in international teaching, research collaborations and academic engagements in Poland. The achievement further strengthened the University's global academic partnerships and international outreach.

Success Under MSME Idea Hackathon 5.0

Building upon its previous success, Avantika University submitted 93 innovative ideas under MSME Idea Hackathon 5.0. One project secured funding of ₹15 lakhs, marking the University's second consecutive year of receiving financial assistance under the national innovation programme. The achievement further reinforced the University's commitment to fostering innovation, entrepreneurship and problem-solving through student-led initiatives.

Consultancy Grant for the Pranpur Village Revival Project – Phase II

The School of Design secured a consultancy grant of ₹18.25 lakhs from the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board for Phase II of the Pranpur Village Revival Project. The project continued the University's efforts in heritage conservation, rural development and community-centred design while promoting sustainable cultural practices.

Memorandum of Understanding with the Europe India Chamber of Commerce, Brussels

Avantika University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Europe India Chamber of Commerce, Brussels, to promote collaboration in higher education, research, innovation, entrepreneurship, challenge-based learning and international placements. The partnership further strengthened the University's global academic and industry collaborations.

Global Year 2025-26

Avantika University designated 2025-26 as its Global Year, providing international exposure to 40 students across the United Kingdom, Japan, Dubai, Poland and Vietnam through academic and industry immersion programmes. Faculty members also secured international academic mobility grants funded by the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA), the European Union and Universitas Multimedia Nusantara, Indonesia, further strengthening the University's global engagement.

Recognition at the Bhumi Campus Awards 2025

Avantika University received multiple recognitions at the Bhumi Campus Awards 2025, including the People's Choice Winner Award and the Social Innovation Leader Award. The University also earned recognition across additional categories, acknowledging its sustained contribution to community engagement, social innovation and responsible institutional leadership.

Industry Connect

i-Connect session with Mr. Arunav Dwivedi

On 25th July 2025, i-Connect session was held with Mr. Arunav Dwivedi, With over 15 years of experience spanning design, filmmaking, and education, Arunav holds a Master's degree from NIFT Delhi and has studied at both IIT Delhi and FTII Pune. He is currently pursuing a second Master's in Strategic Design & Innovation from Politecnico di Milano. His professional journey includes working with renowned brands like PepsiCo, TVF, and Balaji Films as a film editor and creative professional.

Key Highlights:

- How the design industry actually works and how to crack it
- Gaining real-world experience through internships & networking
- Importance of social media presence and personal branding
- Marketing yourself and your skills in the design industry

i-Connect session with Mriganka Bhuyan

On 2nd August 2025, i-connect session was held with Mriganka Bhuyan, Co-founder of Studio Iksa. Storyboard & animatic artist for Netflix, HBO Max, Baahubali, Cartoon Network and more. Guest faculty for storyboarding and animation courses at multiple NIDs. Specializes in storyboarding, 2D/3D animation, and 3D layouting.

Key Highlights:

- His career path into the animation industry
- Role of storyboarding and animatics in visual storytelling, with professional examples
- Building strong drawing skills, soft skills, and a good portfolio
- Personal stories from independent and large-scale projects; importance of adaptability and feedback
- Studio roles, projects, and the importance of communication and time management

i-Connect session by Mr. Saurav Roy

On 30th July 2026, i-connect session was held with Mr. Saurav Roy, Design practitioner; co-founder of Switch and Roy Studio.

Key Highlights:

- His design journey and the philosophy behind Switch and Roy Studio
- Selected projects showing how context, storytelling, and collaboration shape design outcomes
- Evolution of design tools and how communication mediums change alongside technology
- Growing role of AI in design — impact on visualization/workflow, while creativity, intuition, and critical thinking remain human strengths

i-Connect session with Ms. Sweety Taur

On 22nd August 2025, i-connect session was held with Ms. Sweety Taur, Design Ethicist and Co-Founder of Prolog Collective; Postgraduate Diploma in Design, NID Ahmedabad. Experience includes Research Associate (Indian Institute of Craft and Design), Faculty at NID Ahmedabad, Senior Designer (Dileep Industries), Design Consultant (MP State Bamboo Mission), Design Lead (studioHaus), Interior Designer (VLCC Healthcare).

Key Highlights:

- Her journey from computer science graduate to successful designer
- Importance of real-life observation and empathy in design
- Project reviving the gold gilding craft of Bikaner with the Government of India
- Essential traits for an Industrial Designer: seeing structure, caring about detail, creating wholesome experiences, handling reality checks, personal expression through materials, accommodating people's needs
- Significance of prototyping and finished products over sketches/ renderings alone

i-Connect session with Mr. Vivek Dubey

On 6th October 2025, i-connect session was held with Mr. Vivek Dubey whose Career spans work at Microsoft and Google.

Key Highlights:

- Talk focused on "AI in Products"
- How artificial intelligence is transforming design, building, and user experience thinking

i-Connect session with Mr. Karthik SS

On 9th January 2026, i-connect session was held with Mr. Karthik SS

Key Highlights:

- Typography across scripts, focusing on Tamil and Malayalam, and how cultural context/script structure influence type design
- Difference between language, script, typeface, and font
- Visual sensitivity as a core skill; observing curves, strokes, and proportions
- Designing root letters rather than random characters
- Hands-on Latin script exercises exploring rigid, fluid, ornate, playful and other visual qualities using letter sets (n,o,c,e,s + choice; h,o + choice)
- Tools/workflow: FontForge (Windows), Glyphs (Mac), Pen tool for drawing letterforms, copy-paste for efficiency, basic shapes for proportion

i-Connect session with Mr. Bhavik Mehta

On 26th December 2025, i-connect session was held with Mr. Bhavik Mehta, Founder & Creative Director, Thinkin Birds — a branding studio that has crafted identities for 300+ brands across India, the USA, and the UAE. Over a decade of experience helping startups find their voice and guiding legacy brands to reinvent themselves.

Key Highlights:

- Building clarity, confidence, and meaningful brand identities instead of following trends

i-Connect session with Mr. Souvik Das

On 30th January 2026, i-connect session was held with Mr. Souvik Das, Master's in Industrial and Product Design, IDC IIT Bombay. Industrial Designer at Goldmedal India, Mumbai. Recognised with the Red Dot Design Award and TISDC Award.

Key Highlights:

- Two of his product design projects for industrial design students
- How intent and constraints shape a design project; his design process
- Two approaches to product design: functionality-first vs. emotive/sensory-first
- Importance of Design Thinking
- Encouraged students to pursue every opportunity and handle heavy workloads

i-Connect workshop on Digital illustration by Alan Papy

On 26th February 2026, i-connect session was held with Mr. Alan Papy, Freelance digital illustrator and animator known for a unique signature art style and strong social media presence.

Key Highlights:

- Structured framework for the fundamentals of digital illustration
- Step-by-step creative process from conceptualisation to final output
- Techniques, workflow management, and creative thinking strategies
- Personalised, individual feedback given to each student

i-Connect workshop on Digital illustration by Shrobontika Dasgupta

On 13th March 2026, i-connect session was held with Shrobontika Dasgupta, Animation filmmaker and illustrator; directed animated films for the United Nations, CRY, and EnAble India; currently working on My First Kiss, an Indian-Portugal co-production.

Key Highlights:

- Talk titled "A Pitch Dream"
- Her journey in independent animation filmmaking and navigating film festivals
- The art of pitching impactful stories
- Work across indie short films, animated advertisements, and illustrated children's books/mini-series, with a focus on impact-driven storytelling

i-Connect session by Vaibhav More

On 2nd July 2026, i-connect session was held with Vaibhav More, Animation and advertisement professional.

Key Highlights:

- Showcased a selection of his animation films and advertisement projects
- Shared insight into his creative process and professional work
- Remarkd: creativity, bold thinking, and originality are essential in advertising ("you have to be a little mad to make an ad")

Student Affairs

Co-Curricular Activities

- Major Recruiters

Student achievements

Events & Celebrations

- National Handloom Day 2025
- National Sports Day 2025
- Global Perspectives on AI
- Abhyudaya 2025
- Krishi Mela 2026
- National Youth Day
- Vidvat Sabha
- Game Day
- International Yoga Day
- Friendship Day 2025
- Rakshabandhan 2025
- Diwali 2025
- Childrens day
- New Year 2026

- Basant Panchami
- 77th Republic Day
- Holi 2026
- World Environment Day 2026

Clubs

- NSS and Community Services Club
- Sports Club
- Movie/Film Club
- CSR & Happiness Club
- Entrepreneurship Cell
- Cultural Club
- Rangnaad Club (Dance and Drama)
- Health and Wellness Club
- Strokes Club
- Filmflex
- Photography Club
- Bird Watching and Pet Club
- Music Club

- Yoga & Meditation Club
- Literary Club
- IITD Virtual Lab
- Geek for Geeks (GfG) Students Chapters
- Google Developer Club
- Coding Ninjas
- Robotics Club
- HCL Tech CoE
- iConnect
- Designer's Club
- Fashion Communication Club
- Gaming Club
- ADI (Association of Designers of India)
- Probono Club
- Vidhi Club
- Synergy Club
- Finance Club

Scholarships

Co-Curricular Activities

Major Recruiters





"Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one."
-Malcolm Forbes

Student Achievement

Awards, Honours and Recognitions

- Reva Rajgariah and Tulsi Nyati, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) User Experience (UX) Design students from the School of Design, received the Silver Award at the DBEW Award 2026, Milan, Italy and the Toyota Logistic Design Competition 2026, Europe. Their achievement recognised their excellence in user-centred design and innovation.
- Ganapathy I.S., Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) Transportation Design student from the School of Design, was selected as a finalist in the prestigious TVS INDUS Design Competition 2026, recognising his innovative transportation design concepts.
- Mohit Joshi, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) Industrial Design student from the School of Design, gained international recognition when his sustainable desk organiser project, 'Daizo', was featured on the internationally acclaimed design platform Yanko Design.
- Yash Luhadia, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) User Experience (UX) Design student from the School of Design, and Gaurav Ojha, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) Computer Science and Engineering student from the School of Engineering, won the Gold Award at the UXPlorer'25 Hackathon organised by YUJ for developing 'Hospi', an Artificial Intelligence (Artificial Intelligence)-enabled multi-agent hospital onboarding system. The team was subsequently felicitated during YUJ's anniversary celebration in Pune.
- Mihika Lagwankar, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student from the School of Design, secured the Runner-up position among 149 competing entries at the Design Startup Pitch Contest during

the UX India Conference for her maternal healthcare startup concept, 'Echo'. The project was jointly mentored by faculty members from the School of Design, School of Engineering, and School of Management.

- Aadesh Jadhav, Master of Design (M.Des.) Industrial Design student from the School of Design, contributed to the team that received the India's Best Design Project Award 2025, where he led the production-ready assembly modelling component.
- Surbhi Dubey, Kratika Soni and Priyansh Sharma, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Business Analytics students from the School of Management, won the National Level Hackathon – Data Odyssey 2.0, organised by T. A. Pai Management Institute (TAPMI), Manipal, competing against 342 participating teams. Additionally, a second team of Master of Business Administration (MBA) Business Analytics students from the School of Management qualified for the national finals.
- Hetashree Navin Pandey, Sudhanshu Solanki and Rashika Sharma, students from the School of Law & Public Policy, secured the First, Second, and Third positions, respectively, in the Nyayotsav 2025 Essay Writing Competition, organised in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Ujjain.
- Vaidika Pandey, Aashiti Gupta and Sudhanshu Singh Solanki, students from the School of Law & Public Policy, received awards during the National Education Policy (NEP) SAARTHI Panel Discussion on Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) for their outstanding academic presentations.
- Rydam Jain received the Social Innovation Leader Award and a Participation Certificate under the Student Changemaker of the Year Award category at the Bhumi Campus Awards 2025,

recognising his contribution to social innovation and community engagement.

- Nikhil Dubey, Final-Year Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) Computer Science and Engineering student from the School of Engineering, was nominated by Google as the University's Google Developer Group (GDG) Campus Organiser 2025, recognising his leadership within the student developer community.
- Eleven students from the School of Engineering represented Avantika University at the Vertex Ideathon, organised by Jaypee University, Guna. Team Yukti, comprising Krishna Bakde, Ayush Sharma, Lakshita Sharma, Sanya Raj, Stuti Patel, Prakhar Sachan and Mamta Chandravat, First-Year Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) students, and Team Rakshatra, comprising Prem Vishwas, Vedika Shivhare, Nikhil Kumawat and Aditya Verma, First-Year Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) students, showcased innovative technology-driven solutions and entrepreneurial thinking.

Placements, Internships and Career Achievements

- Aashna Walia and Bhumika Mandiwal, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) students in User Experience (UX) Design, School of Design were selected for the role of Hybrid Designer at Deloitte USI.
- Saransh Chauhan, Master of Design (M.Des.) student in User Experience (UX) Design, School of Design was selected for the role of Hybrid Designer at Deloitte USI.
- Devanshi Jain, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student in User Experience (UX) Design, School of Design was placed at Cognizant.
- Aditya Lad, Shrushti Kanojiya, Shweta Dodeja and Nidhi Agrawal, Master of Design (M.Des.) students in User Experience (UX) Design, School of Design, were placed at Cognizant.
- Sukrut Dandekar, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student in Industrial Design, School of Design was placed at Corugami.
- Rohan Paradkar, Shubham Nawathey, Tanvi Sharma, Kajal Maurya, Madri Tripathi, Tisha Barman, Shashank Manduva and Rebecca Agrawal, Master of Design (M.Des.) students in Industrial Design, School of Design, secured professional opportunities at Studio ABD, LifeiDesign, HomeLane, Caterpillar, Futuring Design, Therefore Design, AM Square and Anaxee Digital and AGR, respectively.
- Parineeta Kulkarni, Mitali Nagori, Srishti Khanna and Deepak Roshan, Master of Design (M.Des.) students in Communication Design, School of Design, were placed at Stuvio Digital, Ploti, Future-In-Design and Stirrup, respectively.
- Nisarg Surti, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student, School of

- Design was placed at Naagin Sauce.
- Devapriya K. B. and Niharika Arora, Master of Design (M.Des.) students in Interior Space and Furniture Design, School of Design, secured professional roles in the field of Interior Space and Furniture Design.
 - Komlika Mahakalkar, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student in Industrial Design, School of Design, was selected for an internship at TouchMagic Media Pvt. Ltd.
 - Aviral Bansal and Keemaya Patil, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) students in Graphic Design, School of Design, were selected for internships at Crafx Studio.
 - Abhiti Mujumdar, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student in User Interface/User Experience (UI/UX) Design, School of Design, was selected as a Digital Illustrator Intern at Internshala.
 - Raghav Nikhil Pantvaidya and Sakshi Kulkarni, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) students in User Interaction Design, School of Design, were selected for internships at Jaipur Rugs.
 - Nikita Shastrakar, Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) student in Animation Design, School of Design, secured an internship under Shri Anand Kumar at Anand Kumar Creatives Pvt. Ltd.
 - Devesh Kumavat, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) student in Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering, was placed at Zangoh.
 - Sagar Manjhi, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) student, School of Engineering, was placed at Anaxee.
 - Sanjay Rajawat, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) student in Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering, was placed at Neevcloud.
 - Garvin Pandya, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) student, School

of Engineering, was selected at Tata Consultancy Services (TCS).

- Anshita Pandey and Tanishka Chouhan, Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) students and Anand Patel, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) student, School of Engineering, were selected as Graduate Engineer Trainees at Countryedu Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
- Aniket Bhagat and Tisha Jain, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) students, School of Engineering, secured internships and training opportunities at Cludge Technology.
- Priyanshi Joshi and Vishakha Patil, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) students, School of Engineering, were selected as Backend Developer Interns at Graphura.
- Aman Selwaria, Deeksha Bankey, Nikhil Dubey and Shaurya Mishra, Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) students, School of Engineering, were selected for internships at Ultimez Technologies.
- Anshul Dhariwal, Utkarsh Damohe, Vijay Mewada, Husain Sethwala and Niket Goswami, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) students, School of Engineering, secured year-long internships at Embrizon Technologies in business, human resources, and operations roles.
- Aniket Bhagat, Akshat Soni, Khushi Chitambare and Vanshika Joshi secured internship roles in MERN Stack Development, Human Resources (HR), and Digital Marketing at Logical SoftTech.
- Jayshree Thakur, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) student in Marketing, School of Management, was selected as a Business Development Executive at Masai.
- Simran, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, and

Tanisha, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) student, School of Management, were selected as Management Trainees at Thanekar Group.

- Pradipti Shrivastava, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, School of Management, was selected as a Customer Success Manager at ExtraEdge.
- Khushi Chitambare, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, School of Management, was selected as a Banking Coordinator at Money Karma.
- Tanishq Solanki, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, School of Management, was selected at Antraweb Technologies.
- Manya Chawda, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) student, School of Management, was selected as a Customer Service Representative at TTEC.
- Rashida Latthawala, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) student, School of Management, was selected as a Sales Management Associate at Recruit CRM.
- Unnati Sahu, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student in Human Resource (HR), School of Management, was selected as a Talent Acquisition Specialist at Truelancer.
- Vaibhavi Chaporkar and Abdul Samad, Master of Business Administration (MBA) students, School of Management, were selected as Business Development Executives at Rx MedoCard.
- Simran Ahirwar and Pallavi Joshi, Master of Business Administration (MBA) students, School of Management, were selected as Assistant Sales Managers at Property Pistol.
- Vaibhavi, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, School of Management, was selected as an International

Business Development Executive at Autodukan.

- Tanmay Choudhary, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, School of Management, was selected as a Growth Associate at Stanza Living.
- Divya Nagar and Unnati Sahu, Master of Business Administration (MBA) students in Human Resource (HR), School of Management, were selected as Human Resource (HR) Interns at BNM Solutions.
- Ishaan Vincent and Sahil Panchwal, Master of Business Administration (MBA) students, School of Management, were selected by Launched Global for a six-month internship.
- Mohit Sharma, Riddhima Kataria, Deepesh Upadhyay, Harsh Vyas, Ishika Singone, Prerna Lalawat and Shruti Chourasiya, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) and Master of Business Administration (MBA) students, School of Management, were selected as Research Analysts for a six-month internship at Harion Research.
- Ishika Singone, Master of Business Administration (MBA) student, School of Management, was selected as a Business Development Intern at WebCraft IT.
- Aashidha Mittal, Kratika Soni, Tanishq Solanki and Sachi Shrivastava, students from the School of Management, secured content writing and related roles at KollegeApply.
- Students from the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) and Master of Business Administration (MBA) programmes, School of Management, including Kratika Soni, Mohit Sharma, Pari Sanmukhani, Sakshi Soni, Aashi Mittal, Riddhima Kataria, Deepesh Upadhyay, Kajal Parihar, Navansh Apte, Prerna Lalawat and Anjali Kanojiya, were selected as interns at Impactra Consulting.

Sports and Extracurricular Achievements

- Vedika Bapat secured the Second Position at the 21st National Ice-Skating Championship 2026, qualified for the National Roller-Skating Championship and received a sports scholarship of ₹30,000 from the Pune Municipal Corporation.
- Keemaya Patil represented Avantika University at the All-India Inter-University Fencing Competition held at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

International Exposure and Student Mobility

- Four students participated in the International Summer Immersion Programme (ISIP) at Teesside University, United Kingdom, from 5th July to 3rd August 2025. The participating students were Jude D’Lima, Rucha Joshi, Yaswanth Reddy and Zahabia Pancha from the School of Design. The programme provided students with international academic exposure through interdisciplinary learning, cultural exchange and industry interactions.
- Four students from the School of Design participated in the Japan Design Study Tour 2026, held from 12th January to 21st January 2026. The participants included Rithvik Jai Shanker, Third Year, Graphic Design; Abhiti Majumdar, Third Year, User Experience (UX) Design; Aniket Singh Chauhan, Foundation; and Diprasom Jana, Foundation. The study tour provided first-hand exposure to Japanese design philosophy, innovation, craftsmanship and contemporary design practices.
- Six students from the School of Design participated in the Dubai Design Week Study Tour, organised from 5th November

to 10th November 2025. The participants included Mahi Gupta, Fourth Year; Kyra Pereira, Third Year; Sharanya Karkera, Third Year; Rudraa Kale, First Year; Arsheya Kapoor, First Year; and Lakshya Arya, First Year. The programme enabled students to explore international design exhibitions, emerging design trends and global creative industries through one of the world’s leading design festivals.

- Twenty students from the School of Design, School of Engineering and School of Management participated in the EUREKA International Mobility Project at Lodz University of Technology, Poland, from 6th June to 28th June 2026. The participants included Aadrika Gupta, Anjali Yadav, Anusuya Datta Choudhary, Aarvi Pandey, Juhi Khedkar, Kashish Makhijani, Mitisha Vijayawargiya, Mythili Gadia, Naman Shah, Parth Anil Lambole, Rucha Joshi and Vibhav Girish Awandhe from the School of Design; Gourav Singh Panwar, Naman Patel, Prince Jaiswal and Sparsh Khandelwal from the School of Engineering; and Aditi Chouhan, Anjali Kanojiya, Pratha Bhawsar, and Priyansh Sharma from the School of Management. The programme promoted interdisciplinary collaboration, research-based learning, intercultural exchange and international academic engagement.
- Six students from the School of Management and School of Engineering participated in the AI Horizon: Global Immersion Programme 2026 in Vietnam, held from 26th July to 31st July 2026. The participants included Shubhi Bhawsar, Third Year Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA); Atharv Chouhan, Second Year Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA); and Anush Jain, Second Year Integrated Master of Business Administration (IMBA), from the School of Management; and Manya Chourasiya, Shreeya Khambete and Aashmita Tiwari, Third Year Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) students from the School of Engineering.

The programme provided students with international exposure to Artificial Intelligence (AI), innovation and cross-cultural learning.

Alumni Achievements

- Preethi Srinivas, alumna of the School of Design, was appointed as Principal User Experience (UX) Researcher at Bosch Global Software Technologies, reflecting her expertise and leadership in user-centred research and digital experience design.
- Pradyumna Bapat, alumnus of the School of Design, served as Senior User Experience (UX) Designer at Zeux Innovation, where he contributed to the design and development of innovative digital products and user experiences.
- Rohith R, alumnus of the School of Design, worked as a Multidisciplinary Designer in the Chief Data Office (CDO) at IBM, where he applied multidisciplinary design approaches to enterprise-scale digital solutions and data-driven innovation.
- Pratyusha Bhattacharjee, alumna of the School of Design, served as a User Experience (UX) Consultant at Capgemini, contributing to user experience strategy, digital transformation, and human-centred design solutions for global clients.

Events & Celebrations

Events

Weaving Heritage – national Handloom Day 2025

On 7th August 2025, Avantika University observed National Handloom Day through a vibrant showcase of India’s rich textile heritage. The event featured a Best Dressed Handloom Ensembles competition, a fashion show, fun activities and a craft products exhibition-cum-sale. The celebration encouraged appreciation of traditional craftsmanship while providing students with an engaging platform to showcase creativity and cultural expression.



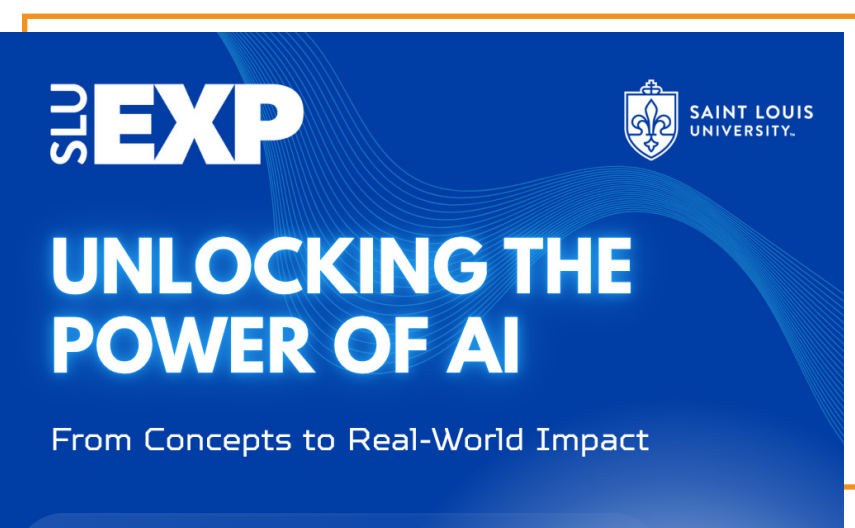
Celebrating Sporting Spirit – National Sports Day 2025

On 29th August 2025, Avantika University marked National Sports Day with a series of sporting activities organized by the Sports Club. Students participated in Tug of War, a 1-kilometre walk, Lemon Spoon Race, 50-metre Dash, Javelin Throw, Shot Put and Discus Throw. The activities promoted physical fitness, teamwork and sportsmanship and brought the campus community together in the spirit of active participation.



Global Perspectives on Artificial Intelligence – SLU-EXP Masterclass

From 24th to 26th November 2025, in collaboration with Saint Louis University, USA, Avantika University facilitated a three-day virtual masterclass on “Unlocking the Power of Artificial Intelligence”. The programme introduced students to the fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence, its real-world applications and activity-based learning led by expert faculty. Participants also received opportunities to earn certificates and digital badges through the global learning platform.



Strengthening Alumni Connections – Abhyudaya 2025

On 13th December 2025, as a prelude to the 5th Convocation, Avantika University organized its Alumni Meet, Abhyudaya. The event brought together alumni from the previous batches, providing an opportunity to reconnect with the University, interact with current students and share their academic and professional journeys. The gathering strengthened the bond between the alumni and the University community while offering students valuable perspectives on life after graduation.



Krishi Mela 2026 – Agricultural Outreach

From 9th to 11th January 2026, Avantika University established an information stall at the Krishi Mela organized at Government College of Agriculture, Indore. The University showcased its agricultural education initiatives and interacted with students and farmers, providing an opportunity to create awareness about agricultural education and engage with the wider community.



National Youth Day – Drug Awareness Session

On 12th January 2026, the School of Law & Public Policy organized a drug-awareness session for students, faculty and staff on the occasion of National Youth Day. The session featured Mr. Rajat Nagada, Master Trainer, Government of Madhya Pradesh, and focused on creating awareness among young people about the risks associated with substance abuse and the importance of making informed and responsible choices.



Learning Beyond the Classroom – Police Training School Visit

On 20th February 2026, the Vidhi Club of the School of Law & Public Policy organized an educational visit to the Police Training School, Ujjain. During the visit, students presented a skit depicting a dowry-death case and subsequent courtroom proceedings, highlighting police investigation, witness testimony and the evidentiary value of dying declarations. The activity provided students with practical exposure to legal and institutional processes and strengthened academic–institutional engagement.



Vidvat Sabha – From Chalkboard to Chatbot

On 23rd February 2026, Avantika University organized the Principal Conclave “Vidvat Sabha” on the theme “From Chalkboard to Chatbot: AI-Driven School Curriculum”. The conclave brought together approximately 38 principals from Ujjain and nearby areas along with around 110 delegates, including subject teachers. The event provided a platform for meaningful discussions on the evolving role of Artificial Intelligence in school education and curriculum development.



Ideas into Action – Think Tank 2026

On 18th March 2026, the Entrepreneurship Cell, in collaboration with the Institution’s Innovation Council and Edugild Innovation Foundation, organized Think Tank 2026. The event focused on startup ideation and pitching, with students developing and refining ideas using creative methods and Artificial Intelligence tools. The competition encouraged problem-solving, adaptability and entrepreneurial thinking while providing students with an opportunity to transform ideas into viable concepts.



Game Day – Learning Through Play and Collaboration

On 2nd April 2026, the Entrepreneurship Cell, in collaboration with the Institution’s Innovation Council, organized Game Day at Avantika University. The interactive event was designed to promote critical thinking, teamwork and active participation among students. Through engaging activities, participants explored collaborative approaches to problem-solving in an informal and experiential setting.



ICACTMMS 2026 – Advancing Interdisciplinary Research

On 19th June 2026, Avantika University hosted the 2nd International Conference on Advancement in Computer Technology, Management, Mathematical Sciences and Interdisciplinary Research (ICACTMMS 2026). The conference brought together academics, researchers, industry professionals and students to exchange knowledge and perspectives on emerging developments across computer technology, management, mathematical sciences and interdisciplinary research, providing a platform for academic dialogue, research dissemination and collaboration.



International Yoga Day 2026 – Embracing Balance and Well-Being

On 22nd June 2026, Avantika University observed International Day of Yoga through a dedicated yoga session. The session was led by Shri Rajesh Andhare, a distinguished Yoga Acharya from Ujjain, who shared insights into yoga and holistic well-being. The initiative encouraged the University community to embrace healthier and more balanced lifestyles while reinforcing the importance of physical, mental and emotional well-being.



Celebrations

Bonds Beyond the Classroom – Friendship Day 2025

On 31st July 2025, the CSR and Happiness Club celebrated Friendship Day with children of the adopted Hasampura Government School. Students tied friendship bands and distributed sweets, extending the spirit of friendship beyond the University campus. The initiative reflected the University's emphasis on community engagement, compassion and meaningful social connections.



Threads of Gratitude – Raksha Bandhan 2025

On 9th August 2025, the NSS Wing and CSR and Happiness Club celebrated Raksha Bandhan by tying Rakhis and expressing gratitude to the University's bus drivers, security guards, housekeeping and mess staff and the GIS team. The celebration recognized the contributions of those who supported the University's day-to-day functioning.



Festival of Lights and Giving – Diwali 2025

In October 2025, Avantika University celebrated Diwali through a series of activities that extended the festive spirit across the University community. The CSR and Happiness Club organized a celebration for GIS staff, bus drivers and office boys on 16th October, followed by an Open House with the Vice Chancellor Dr. Nitin Rane and a festive Diwali lunch on 18th October. Lakshmi Pujan at the Finance & Accounts Office further added to the spirit of gratitude and togetherness.



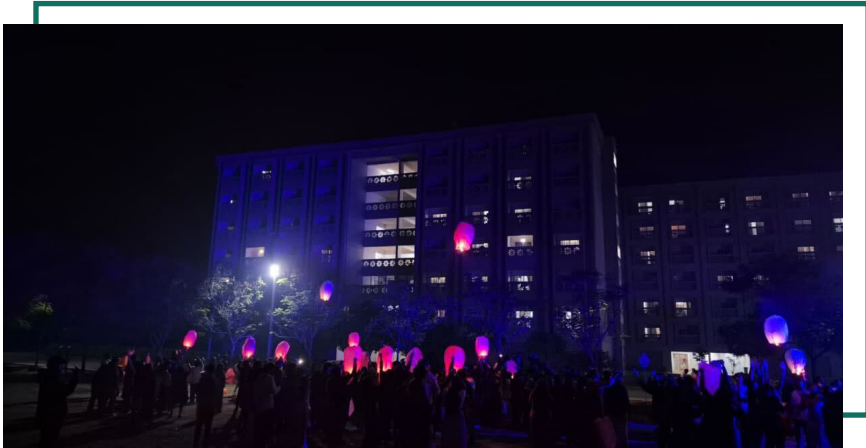
Children's Day 2025 – Spreading Joy Through Outreach

In November 2025, the NSS Wing of Avantika University marked Children's Day through community outreach initiatives at government schools and Sewa Dham Ashram. Volunteers interacted with children, distributed school bags, stationery and science kits to deserving students and shared sweets with more than 200 children. The initiative extended the spirit of celebration beyond the campus while promoting care, inclusion and social responsibility among students.



De Nova – Welcoming 2026 with New Beginnings

On 31st December 2025, Avantika University welcomed the New Year with "De Nova". The celebration featured a DJ night, street food festival and lantern show, along with creative activities such as face-mask painting. The symbolic Burning of the Old Man activity encouraged students to reflect on leaving behind old habits and embracing new beginnings.



Udaan – Kites Take Flight on Makar Sankranti

On 14th January 2026, the School of Law & Public Policy celebrated Makar Sankranti through "Patangotsav – Udaan" at the cricket ground. Students and faculty participated in kite flying and enjoyed the festive atmosphere, celebrating the harvest season through a colourful and engaging campus gathering.



Honouring Wisdom – Basant Panchami 2026

On 23rd January 2026, Avantika University celebrated Basant Panchami in the premises of Maa Vagdevi statue. Faculty and students dressed in shades of yellow and orange to welcome the arrival of spring and honour the values of knowledge, wisdom and creativity.



Saluting the Constitution – 77th Republic Day

On 26th January 2026, Avantika University celebrated India's 77th Republic Day with flag unfurling, student activities and an address by the Chief Guest. A 5-kilometre Marathon Relay, organized in collaboration with the VikramDhara Club, further marked the occasion by combining patriotism with fitness, teamwork and community participation.



Holi 2026 – Splashes of Colour and Community

On 2nd and 4th March 2026, Avantika University celebrated Holika Dahan and the festival of colours. Holika Dahan was observed on 2nd March in the presence of the Vice Chancellor Dr. Nitin Rane and Registrar Dr. Manesh Patil, with more than 250 students participating. The colour celebrations followed on 4th March, when the campus came alive with gulal, music and dance. The festivities reflected the spirit of unity, joy and togetherness within the University community.



Spreading Smiles – International Day of Happiness 2026

On 20th March 2026, the CSR and Happiness Club observed International Day of Happiness through small, joyful activities outside the main academic block. The initiative encouraged students and staff to pause, connect and spread positivity, reinforcing the University's commitment to creating a happy and inclusive campus environment.



Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam – World Environment Day 2026

On 5th June 2026, the NSS Cell and School of Agriculture observed World Environment Day through a tree plantation drive under the theme "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam". Faculty and students planted saplings at the campus hillock, reinforcing awareness of environmental responsibility and the importance of protecting and preserving the natural environment.



Festivals

Durga Pooja

As part of the Cultural Club, Durga Puja was celebrated at Avantika University with great enthusiasm, highlighting the richness of Bengali culture. The event transformed the campus into a vibrant space of art, devotion, and community. Activities included cultural performances, traditional food and craft stalls, and an Alpona workshop where students explored the beauty of Bengali floor art. The celebration beautifully blended tradition with creativity, fostering togetherness and cultural appreciation among students.



Ganeshotsav

As part of the cultural club, Ganesh Utsav was celebrated at Avantika University with great enthusiasm and devotion, transforming the campus into a center of cultural vibrancy. The week-long festivities featured workshops, competitions, performances, and engaging activities that showcased the creativity and talent of the students. With a focus on eco-friendly practices, the celebration blended tradition with innovation, concluding with a heartfelt aarti, cultural procession, and the sustainable immersion of Lord Ganesha.



Navratri Celebration (Garba)

As part of the Cultural Club, Navratri was celebrated at Avantika University with great enthusiasm, showcasing the vibrancy of Gujarati culture. The campus came alive with color, music, and devotion throughout the festivities. The celebration featured energetic Garba and Dandiya nights, traditional food stalls, and creative activities that brought the spirit of Navratri to life. The event concluded with a devotional Ambe Maa Aarti and Ravan dahan, blending joy, tradition, and cultural unity among students.



Lohri celebration

As part of the Cultural Club, Lohri was celebrated at Avantika University with great enthusiasm, reflecting the rich traditions and festive spirit of Punjab. The campus came alive with vibrant decorations, music, and cultural performances as students gathered to mark the harvest festival. The celebration featured a traditional bonfire, energetic Bhangra and Gidda performances, folk music, and the sharing of festive treats such as popcorn, peanuts, revri, and gajak. The event concluded with everyone gathering around the bonfire to offer prayers, celebrate togetherness, and embrace the values of gratitude, prosperity, and cultural unity.



Christmas Celebration

The Student Council spread the true spirit of Christmas with a joyful three-day celebration held from 23–25 December 2025, and it turned out to be nothing short of magical.

With huge participation and infectious enthusiasm, the campus came alive with festive cheer. The celebrations began with a beautiful tree lighting ceremony, setting the tone for days filled with warmth, laughter, and togetherness. A cozy movie night, organized in collaboration with the Film Club, brought everyone together for some relaxed festive entertainment.

Excitement buzzed around activities like the stamp hunt and lucky draw, while creatively designed spaces such as the photo booth, Christmas crib, and frame corner gave everyone the perfect spots to capture memories. Fun-filled stalls like the treat stall and engaging games such as Angle No. Pick Ball, organized by the Fashion Communication Club, added extra flavor to the celebrations.

One of the most loved highlights was Dinner with Santa, where students enjoyed a warm meal, festive conversations, and plenty of smiles with Santa himself—truly capturing the joy and magic of the season. As evenings grew colder, the bonfire became a favorite gathering spot, creating a cozy and cheerful atmosphere. The celebrations concluded on a high note with soulful jamming

sessions alongside the Music Club, filling the air with melodies and festive vibes.



Onam Celebration:

Avantika University celebrated Onam with great enthusiasm, bringing together students, faculty, and staff to experience the rich cultural heritage of Kerala. The celebration featured vibrant traditional attire, a beautifully designed Pookalam (floral rangoli), cultural performances, music, dance, and festive activities that fostered unity, inclusivity, and cultural appreciation. The event provided a platform for the university community to celebrate India's diversity while strengthening the spirit of togetherness and campus engagement.



Janmashtami Celebration:

Avantika University celebrated Krishna Janmashtami with devotion and enthusiasm, commemorating the birth of Lord Krishna through vibrant cultural and spiritual activities. The celebration included devotional prayers, bhajans, traditional performances, and festive decorations, Dahi Handi creating an atmosphere of joy and positivity across the campus. The event encouraged students, faculty, and staff to embrace the values of righteousness, compassion, and unity while celebrating India's rich cultural and spiritual heritage.



Clubs

1. NSS and Community Services Club
2. Sports Club
3. Movie/Film Club
4. CSR & Happiness Club
5. Entrepreneurship Cell
6. Cultural Club
7. Rangnaad Club (Dance and Drama)
8. Health and Wellness Club
9. Strokes Club
10. Filmflex
11. Photography Club
12. Bird Watching and Pet Club
13. Music Club
14. Yoga & Meditation Club
15. Literary Club

16. IITD Virtual Lab
17. Geek for Geeks (GfG) Students Chapters
18. Google Developer Club
19. Coding Ninjas
20. Robotics Club
21. HCL Tech CoE
22. iConnect
23. Designer's Club
24. Fashion Communication Club
25. Gaming Club
26. ADI (Association of Designers of India)
27. Probono Club
28. Vidhi Club
29. Synergy Club
30. Finance Club



Scholarships

The university offers scholarships, tuition fee waiver schemes, teaching, and research assistance to meritorious, needy, and deserving students. This is an effort to make education affordable and reachable for all and encourage academic excellence. The following are the various types of scholarships available for application.

Ved Vyas Scholarship

Applicable to students securing top three positions in 12th Board Exams (CBSE/ISC/State Boards) and JEE (Mains) rankers.

Vikram Scholarship

A merit-cum-means scholarship is applicable to deserving students, with the quantum of scholarship to be determined based on the annual income of parents.

Arjun Scholarship

A sports scholarship is applicable to students who have participated and won medal/s at a national and international level in sports recognized by the Indian Olympic Council (IOC).

Ashoka Scholarship

Performance-based scholarship for students who have demonstrated extraordinary ability and potential during the academic year.

Sudama Scholarship

A need-based, earn-and-learn scheme is applicable to students who are desirous of contributing to the university and wish to earn to support their education.

Aryabhata Scholarship

A research assistantship scheme is applicable to students who have demonstrated excellent academic performance and are desirous of contributing to the university.

Chanakya Scholarship

A teaching assistantship scheme is applicable to students who have demonstrated excellent academic performance and are desirous of contributing to the university.

MP Government Scholarship

The scholarship is administered to the students belonging to the SC/ST/OBC category by the Government of Madhya Pradesh based on the annual income of the family.

Avantika envisions to develop individuals who will have,

creative imagination of an **artist**

critical knowledge of a **scientist**

analytical skills of a **technologist**

disciplined will of a **moralist**

broad vision of a **humanist**

Distinguished Visitors

H.E. PRITHVIRAJSING ROOPUN – FORMER PRESIDENT OF MAURITIUS

H.E. Prithvirajsing Roopun, Former President of Mauritius, participated in an internationalisation initiative of the Consortium for Promoting Internationalisation in Madhya Pradesh (CPIMP) on 28th November 2025.

MR. SACHIN KUMAR GARG – INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA ENGAGEMENT IN DESIGN

Mr. Sachin Kumar Garg, Senior Design Manager, Wipro Lighting, visited Avantika University for an interaction with final-year Industrial Design students in connection with a live industry project. He provided professional feedback and guidance on industry expectations, design processes and real-world project development.

GURU JI DR. H. R. NAGENDRA – DISTINGUISHED YOGA AND WELLNESS EXPERT

Guru Ji Dr. H. R. Nagendra, Padma Shri awardee, Yoga Mentor & Advisor to the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and Chancellor of S-VYASA University, Bengaluru, visited Avantika University on 4th August 2025 for a special session organised in association with Ankit Gram Sewa Dham Ashram. He shared perspectives on yoga, holistic wellness and anti-addiction awareness.

MR. JAGJIT RANA – INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES ON TRANSPORTATION DESIGN

Mr. Jagjit Rana, Vice President – Design, Maruti Suzuki, visited Avantika University on 7th November 2025 for an interaction with students during a Transportation Design Exhibition. He discussed automotive design, industry practices and emerging opportunities in transportation design.

MR. NILESH OAK – RESEARCHER & CULTURAL STUDIES EXPERT

Mr. Nilesh Oak, a researcher in astronomy, archaeology and cultural studies, engaged with the Avantika University community through a special session. He presented an interdisciplinary perspective on India's cultural heritage, exploring the application of astronomy, archaeology, geology, genetics and research methodologies to cultural studies.

External Relations

GLOBAL UNIVERSITY COLLABORATIONS

The academic year 2025-26 forged following collaborations for academic enrichment, research enrichment, student & faculty exchange as well as other activities.



Teesside University,
United Kingdom

ILLINOIS TECH

Illinois Institute of
Technology, USA



PAR University of Applied
Sciences, Croatia



Texas A & M University,
Texarkhana



University of Johannesburg,
South Africa



FPT UNIVERSITY

FPT University, Vietnam

STUDENT MOBILITY

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER INTERNSHIP (ISIP) at TEESSIDE UNIVERSITY, UNITED KINGDOM

Four students participated in the International Summer Immersion Programme (ISIP) at Teesside University, United Kingdom, from 5th July to 3rd August 2025. The participating students were Jude D'Lima, Rucha Joshi, Yaswanth Reddy and Zahabia Pancha from the School of Design. The programme provided students with international academic exposure through interdisciplinary learning, cultural exchange and industry interactions.



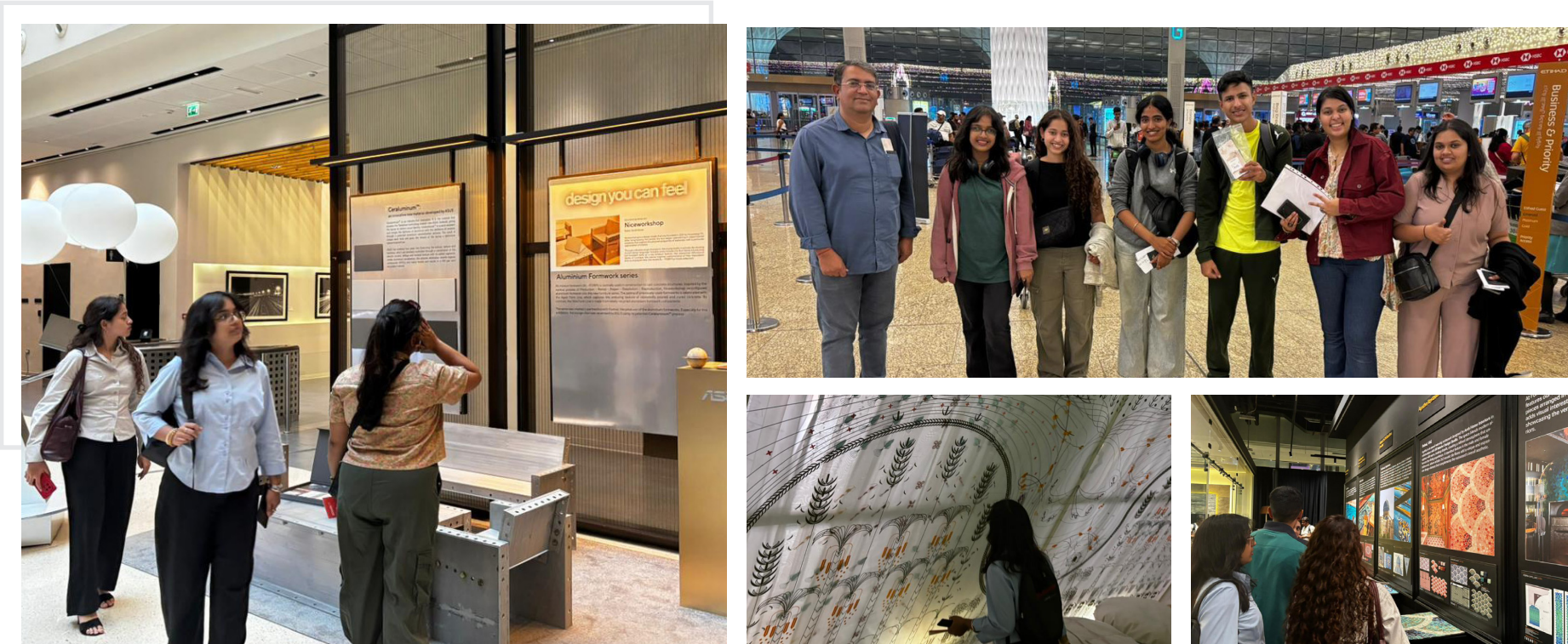
JAPAN DESIGN STUDY TOUR

Four students from the School of Design participated in the Japan Design Study Tour 2026, held from 12th January to 21st January 2026. The participants included Rithvik Jai Shanker, Third Year, Graphic Design; Abhiti Majumdar, Third Year, User Experience (UX) Design; Aniket Singh Chauhan, Foundation; and Diprasom Jana, Foundation. The study tour provided first-hand exposure to Japanese design philosophy, innovation, craftsmanship and contemporary design practices.



DUBAI DESIGN WEEK TOUR

Six students from the School of Design participated in the Dubai Design Week Study Tour, organised from 5th November to 10th November 2025. The participants included Mahi Gupta, Fourth Year; Kyra Pereira, Third Year; Sharanya Karkera, Third Year; Rudraa Kale, First Year; Arsheya Kapoor, First Year; and Lakshya Arya, First Year. The programme enabled students to explore international design exhibitions, emerging design trends and global creative industries through one of the world's leading design festivals.



EUREKA PROJECT-POLAND

Twenty students from the School of Design, School of Engineering and School of Management participated in the fully funded EUREKA International Mobility Project at Lodz University of Technology, Poland, from 6th June to 28th June 2026. The participants included Aadrika Gupta, Anjali Yadav, Anusuya Datta Choudhary, Aurvi Pandey, Juhi Khedkar, Kashish Makhijani, Mitisha Vijayawargiya, Mythili Gadia, Naman Shah, Parth Anil Lambole, Rucha Joshi and Vibhav Girish Awandhe from the School of Design; Gourav Singh Panwar, Naman Patel, Prince Jaiswal and Sparsh Khandelwal from the School of Engineering; and Aditi Chouhan, Anjali Kanojiya, Pratha Bhawsar, and Priyansh Sharma from the School of Management. The programme promoted interdisciplinary collaboration, research-based learning, intercultural exchange and international academic engagement. Throughout the duration of the project the students worked in multicultural groups on challenges provided by companies such as Amazon, Belvedere vodka, Faurecia, Sabert Inc, Browin, Corning and BPPPT. The culmination of the project took place with students pitching their solutions in front of a global jury. Avantika students emerged as winners in the grand finale as well as company wise pitch presentations.



VIETNAM GLOBAL IMMERSION

Six students from the School of Management and School of Engineering participated in the AI Horizon: Global Immersion Programme 2026 in Vietnam, held from 26th July to 31st July 2026. The participants included Shubhi Bhawsar, Third Year Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA); Atharv Chouhan, Second Year Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA); and Anush Jain, Second Year Integrated Master of Business Administration (IMBA), from the School of Management; and Manya Chourasiya, Shreeya Khambete and Aashmita Tiwari, Third Year Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) students from the School of Engineering. The programme provided students with international exposure to Artificial Intelligence (AI), innovation and cross-cultural learning.



FACULTY MOBILITY

INDONESIA

Dr. Surendra Rahamatkar, Pro-Vice Chancellor, visited Universitas Multimedia Nusantara (UMN), Indonesia as a fully funded visiting professor for 2 weeks in September, 2025.

During his visit he Delivered guest lectures for UG, PG, and PhD scholars at the Faculty of Engineering and Informatics, Conducted Professor Class Sessions on Research Methodology, Participated in International Research Collaboration meetings with UMN faculty and Contributed to the Community Outreach Programme hosted by UMN



POLAND

Dr. Priya Rao, Deputy Pro-Vice Chancellor received a International Mobility Grant to visit Lodz University of Technology Poland, the grant was funded by NAWA The Polish National agency for academic exchange.

During her visit, she attended meetings related to the EUREKA project planning and also engaged lectures.



POLAND

Dr. Nitin Rane, Vice Chancellor was awarded a European Union KA171 Erasmus grant for mobility to Poland wherein he engaged lectures, participated as a global jury member and also experienced cultural exchange at Lodz University of Technology Poland.

During the visit, in order to further strengthen Europe India academic ties, he signed a collaboration agreement with Europe India Chamber of Commerce, Brussels.



Community Outreach

Rooted in Green – Tree Plantation Drive

On 1st July, 2025, a tree plantation drive was organised on campus to promote environmental sustainability, encouraging students and staff to actively contribute to conservation efforts and responsible environmental stewardship.

A Gesture of Gratitude – Donation Drive for GIS Staff

On 2nd July, 2025, a donation drive was organised to distribute bottled water and lunch to GIS staff members, recognising their daily contribution to campus operations and fostering gratitude and appreciation within the university community.

Compassion in Action – Visit to Sewa Dham Ashram

On 13th July, 2025, National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers of Avantika University visited Sewa Dham Ashram, interacting with its residents & understanding its welfare initiatives, fostering compassion, social responsibility & community service among students.

Road Safety and Legal Literacy – Traffic Rules Awareness & Legal Aid Camp

On 19th July, 2025, a community outreach camp was organised to spread awareness on traffic rules and provide free legal aid guidance to local residents, promoting road safety and civic responsibility.

Reflecting on Humanity – Screening of “Hotel Rwanda”

On 23rd July, 2025, a special screening of the film “Hotel Rwanda”

was organised to sensitise students to human rights violations and genocide, encouraging reflection on justice, humanity and human dignity.

Greening the Campus – Vrihad Paudharopan

On 26th July, 2025, the National Service Scheme (NSS) Wing of Avantika University organised Vrihad Paudharopan, a mass tree plantation drive, encouraging students, staff and volunteers to contribute to a greener and more sustainable campus.

Threads of Togetherness – Rakhi Making Activity

On 13th August, 2025, a National Service Scheme (NSS)-led Rakhi making activity engaged students in creating handmade rakhis ahead of Raksha Bandhan, promoting creativity, cultural values and the spirit of festive togetherness.

Wild Wonders for Young Minds – Educational Visit to Indore Zoo

On 24th August, 2025, an educational visit to Indore Zoo was organised for children from Jhadu Basti Village to enhance awareness about wildlife, biodiversity and environmental conservation through experiential learning.

Gift of Life – Blood Donation Camp

On 17th September, 2025, in collaboration with Pushpa Mission Hospital, Ujjain, a voluntary blood donation camp was organised to encourage blood donation, support healthcare

initiatives and promote social responsibility.

Ready to Respond – Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Awareness Session

On 24th September, 2025, in association with Avanti Hospital, Ujjain, a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) awareness programme equipped participants with basic life-saving skills and emergency response techniques through practical demonstrations and hands-on training.

Staying Safe Online – Legal Aid Camp at Village Lekoda

On 14th October, 2025, a legal aid camp was organised at Village Lekoda to raise awareness on cyber safety, educating residents about online risks, digital rights and safe internet practices.

Recognising Excellence – Scholar Appreciation Programme

On 17th November, 2025, deserving students were recognised through the Scholar Appreciation Programme, during which educational kits and school bags were distributed to encourage academic excellence among underprivileged learners.

Know Your Rights – Legal Aid Camp on Fundamental Rights, Cyber Security & Child Trafficking

On 26th November, 2025, a legal aid camp raised community awareness on fundamental rights, cyber security and child trafficking, offering guidance and resources to help residents recognise risks and access legal support.

Breaking the Stigma – World AIDS Day

On 1st December, 2025, World AIDS Day was observed through awareness sessions promoting Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) prevention, reducing stigma and

encouraging informed and responsible health practices among students and the wider community.

Equality for All – Legal Aid Camp on Human Rights Day

On 10th December, 2025, a legal aid camp was organised on Human Rights Day under the theme “Equality, Reducing Inequalities, Advancing Human Rights”, providing free legal guidance and awareness to the community.

Caring for the Community – Health Camp

On 15th January, 2026, a community health camp provided health check-ups, medical consultations and wellness awareness sessions to encourage preventive healthcare and healthy living among local residents.

Learning Without Barriers – Legal Aid and Awareness Camp

On 23rd January, 2026, a legal aid and awareness camp themed “Learning without Barriers: Law, Education and Social Justice” was organised to promote legal literacy, equitable education access and social justice.

A Smile for Everyone – Dental Health Camp

On 17th February, 2026, a dental check-up camp was organised to promote oral hygiene awareness and preventive dental care among participants from the local community.

Shaping Futures – Career Counselling Session

On 1st April, 2026, career guidance sessions were organised at Hasampura School, helping students explore career opportunities, understand higher education pathways and make informed decisions about their futures.

Giving Back – Community Donation Drive

From 2nd to 11th April, 2026, donation drives for clothes, food and stationery were organised to support underprivileged communities, encouraging compassion, community service and social responsibility among students.

Empowering Through Education – Stationery Distribution at Sewa Bharti Ashram

On 3rd April, 2026, educational materials were distributed to children at Sewa Bharti Ashram to support their learning and promote equitable access to education among underprivileged children.

Building Healthy Habits – Awareness Session

On 6th April, 2026, interactive sessions educated students about hygiene, nutrition, physical fitness and healthy lifestyle practices, encouraging them to adopt sustainable, health-conscious habits.

Rooted in Care – Tree Plantation Drive

On 8th April, 2026, a plantation drive on campus promoted environmental conservation, sustainability and collective responsibility towards building a greener future for the community.

Reaching Out with Empathy – Visit to Mano Vikas Kendra

On 17th April, 2026, volunteers visited Mano Vikas Kendra to interact with individuals with special needs, fostering empathy, inclusion and social responsibility among students.

Painting Possibilities – School Beautification Initiative

From 20th to 30th April, 2026, students participated in painting the walls of Hasampura School, transforming the

school into a vibrant and inspiring learning environment while promoting community engagement.

For Our Planet – Earth Day Celebration

On 22nd April, 2026, Earth Day activities including plantation drives and awareness programmes promoted environmental stewardship and sustainable practices among students, staff and the wider community.

The Power of Words – Literacy Awareness Session

On 1st May, 2026, literacy sessions encouraged reading, writing and communication skills, underscoring the importance of education for personal development within the community.

No Creature Left Behind – Stray Animal Feeding Drive

From 4th to 8th May, 2026, volunteers distributed food and water to stray animals across the city, promoting compassion, animal welfare and responsible citizenship.

Lending a Hand – Helping Hand Initiative at Government Hospital

On 12th May, 2026, volunteers assisted hospital staff with patient support activities at a Government Hospital, demonstrating compassion, teamwork and commitment to community service.

Planting Gratitude – Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam

On 5th June, 2026, a plantation drive under the “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam” initiative encouraged environmental conservation while honouring mothers through symbolic tree plantation across campus.

Infrastructure and Facilities

Workshop

The Workshop at the university is a well-equipped cluster of distinctive workstations where the learners give form to their ideas. With practical-based learning spread across all programs, the workshop acts as the central point of students' academic indulgence giving shape to their projects. The various shops boast state-of-the-art machinery and skilled manpower support making it one of its kind precinct for varied spheres of design, manufacturing, and fabrication.

Wood Shop



The Wood Shop is a place where the students explore the fundamentals of woodwork and carpentry getting deep insight into the use of Timber. Students make use of hand and power tools to develop various joineries and products by performing planning, sawing, and chiseling operations. The Wood Shop includes Wood Lathe, Band Saw, Jig Saw, Single Bevel Mitre, Surface Planer Cum Thickness Wood Planer.

Metal Shop



The Metal Shop is a place where the students explore working with metal to design, develop and fabricate various products through operations like Cylindrical Turning, Step Turning, Taper Turning, Facing, Cutting, Milling, Chamfering, Drilling, and Reaming. The Metal Shop includes a Lathe Machine, Milling Machine, Drilling Machine, Bench Grinder, Pipe Bending Machine, Metal Cutter 1100W, Metal Shear 1.6, Nibbler 1.6, and Kit of Forming tools etc.

Welding Shop



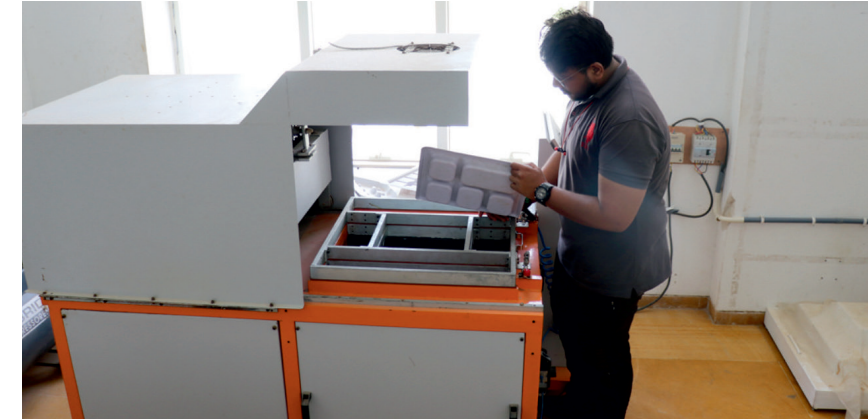
Welding Shop is a place where the students perform arc welding fusion processes for joining metals. The different operations practiced by students in Welding Shop are Position Welding, Butt Welding, Lap Welding, Spot Welding, etc. The Welding Shop includes ARC+ Tig Welding Machine with safety equipments.

Fitting Shop



The Fitting Shop is a place where the students refine their products to achieve desired shapes, size, and accuracy, through various finishing operations such as marking, filing, chipping, sawing, scraping, drilling, reaming, tapping, threading, grinding, etc. The Fitting Shop includes Machine Vice, Bench and Hand Drill Machine, Angle Grinder 540W with Angle Polisher Attachment, various files, etc.

Plastic Shop



Plastic Shop is a place where students learn to turn plastic into permanent objects such as protective covers by identifying and acquainting suitable materials. Students learn to design wood, and machined aluminum molds, which are used to develop different shapes with the use of vacuum-forming machines.

Paint Shop



The Paint Shop is a place where students give surface treatment to their prototypes or models with the aim to give a final finish to their products. Students work with water and solvent-based paints, varnishes, various surface treatment agents, oils, and waxes for this process using paint spraying booths.

FAB Lab

The FAB Lab at the university is a state-of-the-art lab consisting of high-end digital fabrication and manufacturing machinery consisting of an array of flexible computer-controlled tools, that cover several different length scales and various materials, with the aim to make “almost anything” and cater a platform for new ideas and innovation.

Equipments

- Laser Cutting/ Engraver 3x2 for Non-ferrous materials
- NC Mini Mill Machine Bench Top Model (MDX 540 A 3D, 4 AXIS)
- CNC Router Machine for soft metal, plastic, wood
- Thermocol Cutting Machine (Hot Knife)
- 3D Printers
- Vinyl Cutter/ Plotter Machine



Technology on Campus

The technology on campus at the university has created a niche for itself in the area around. The fabric of technologies provides a highly flexible, connected environment for learning and support services; and continuously deliver personalized student and faculty experiences — both on-campus and online.

Turing – The Computer Center

Turing is the Computer Center at the university. The center boasts of high-ended computer systems and printers such as:

- Intel Core i7 Personal Computers with 24 Inch display, 16 GB RAM, 1 TB HDD, Nvidia Ge force Graphics Card 4GB RAM, and Windows 10 Professional
- iMac - i5 Personal Computers with 27 Inch Display, 8GB RAM, 1 TB HDD, and Mac OS Sierra 10.12.5
- Multi-Function SHARP-Colour Printer
- 44-inch HP Design Jet Pro Postscript Printer (Plotter)



Apple Computer



Dell Computer



HP Computer

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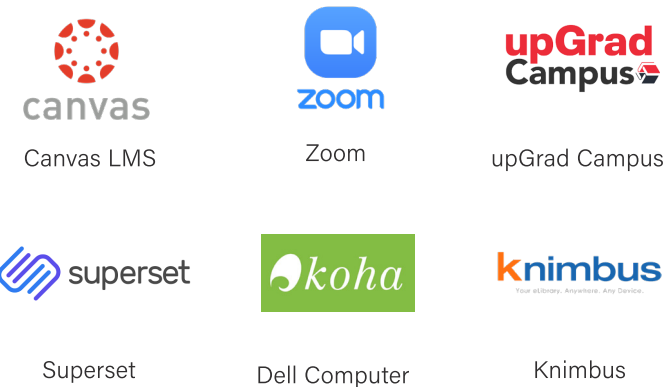
The campus boasts of a three-layer hierarchical model of ICT Infrastructure designed by Cisco Systems (Networking Hardware Company) and implemented by NTT Data – formerly Dimension Data (Global Partnership with Cisco about more than 25 Years). The three-layer ICT network infrastructure benefits in better performance, management, scalability, reliability, and redundancy in the campus.



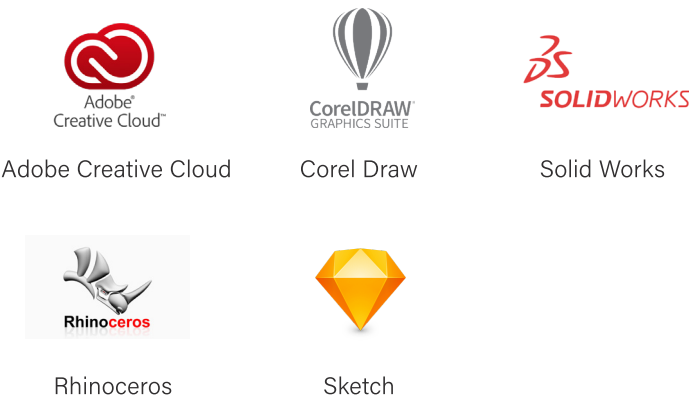
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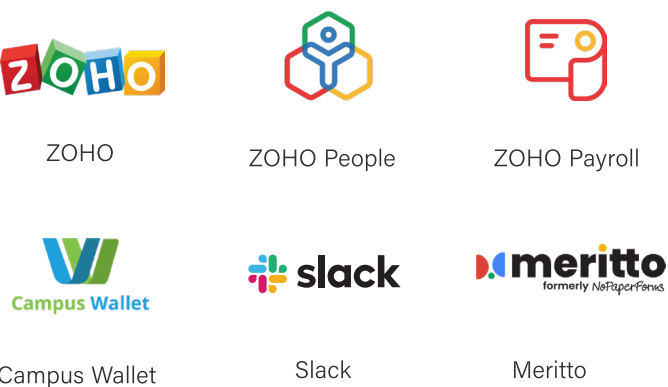
EdTech Tools and Applications



Academic Softwares



Campus Services



Library

The Dnyaneshwar Central Library continued to strengthen its role as the intellectual and knowledge hub of Avantika University during the academic year 2025–26. The Library remained committed to providing quality information resources, technology-enabled services, and user-centric learning support to students, faculty members and staff.

During the academic year, the Library implemented several strategic initiatives, strengthened national collaborations, promoted digital learning, and expanded academic information services, thereby making a meaningful contribution to the University's teaching and learning ecosystem.

The Library supported teaching, learning and academic excellence through technology-enabled services, quality information resources, national collaborations, digital learning initiatives and reading promotion programmes. Throughout the year, the Library focused on expanding access to scholarly information, enhancing user engagement and strengthening the University's knowledge ecosystem.



Library Collections, Resources and Digital Knowledge Infrastructure

The Library continued to provide a balanced collection of print and digital resources supporting the academic and professional needs of the University community. Library operations are fully automated through the KOHA Integrated Library Management System, providing seamless access to Web OPAC and efficient management of library resources.

The Library provides access to a wide range of subscribed and open-access academic information resources through DELNET, Manupatra, AIR, the National Digital Library of India (NDLI), SWAYAM–NPTEL, Shodhganga, Shodhgangotri, E-PG Pathshala, and other trusted scholarly platforms. The Library continues to promote effective utilization of these resources to support teaching, learning, professional development, and scholarly information access.

Recognition under the SWAYAM–NPTEL Local Chapter Programme

Based on its successful implementation and encouraging performance during the January–April 2026 semester, Avantika University was recognized as an Active Local Chapter and achieved Aspirant Status under the SWAYAM–NPTEL Local Chapter Programme. These recognitions reflect the University's growing commitment to promoting digital learning, outcome-based education, academic excellence, and skill enhancement through nationally recognized online certification courses.

The successful implementation of the Credit Transfer Policy was further reflected in the University's encouraging SWAYAM–

NPTEL examination performance during the March–April 2026 semester. A total of 115 students and faculty members registered for certification examinations, of which 101 successfully qualified. The results included 20 Gold Certificates, 33 Silver Certificates, 35 Elite Certificates, and 13 Successfully Completed Certificates. Students also achieved outstanding national recognition, including a Top 1% national rank, multiple Top 2% and Top 5% rankings, and exceptional performance in the course Modernisation and Creative Communication, where 19 students earned Gold Certificates. These achievements reflect the University's growing culture of academic excellence, digital learning, and skill development through the SWAYAM–NPTEL ecosystem.

SWAYAM–NPTEL Achievement Highlights

- Total Registrations: 115
- Successfully Qualified: 101
- Gold Certificates: 20
- Silver Certificates: 33
- Elite Certificates: 35
- Successfully Completed Certificates: 13
- Top 1%, 2%, and 5% National Rank Achievers
- 19 Gold Certificates in Modernisation and Creative Communication

National-Level Academic Collaborations

The Library continued to strengthen academic collaboration with premier national institutions by organizing several high-impact academic programmes.

In collaboration with IIT Kanpur, the Library organized a National-Level SWAYAM–NPTEL Awareness Workshop, attracting

participants from universities, colleges, and higher educational institutions across India. The workshop created awareness about Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs), SWAYAM–NPTEL certification, academic credit transfer, faculty development, and lifelong learning opportunities.

Key Outcomes

- 800+ registrations (Hybrid Mode)
- 5,400+ YouTube Live views
- Participation from institutions across multiple states
- Strengthened awareness of MOOCs and digital learning
- Enhanced collaboration with IIT Kanpur
- Strengthened the University's visibility in the SWAYAM–NPTEL ecosystem.

NPTEL Awareness E-Workshop

An NPTEL Awareness E-Workshop was organized in collaboration with IIT Madras, providing students and faculty members with valuable guidance on course selection, certification, internships, faculty development programmes, and career enhancement through SWAYAM–NPTEL.

These initiatives substantially strengthened awareness and adoption of digital learning across the University.

Institutional Collaboration with the INFLIBNET Centre

During the academic year, Avantika University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar, marking a significant milestone in

strengthening the University's academic information infrastructure. the Library facilitated the implementation of a wide range of nationally recognized academic information services, including IRINS, ShodhGanga, ShodhShuddhi, ShodhChakra, IndCat, ILMS, SOUL, INFED, ShodhPrabha, and INFYMEET. These services have expanded access to national knowledge resources, and enhanced digital academic services for students, faculty members, and the wider academic community.

National User Awareness Programme on INFLIBNET Services

To maximize the effective utilization of national academic information services, the Library successfully organized a National User Awareness Programme on ORCID, IRINS and INFLIBNET Services for Scholarly Communities in collaboration with the INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar.

The programme brought together faculty members, librarians, researchers, and scholars from different institutions and provided practical exposure to researcher identifiers, institutional profiling, national academic information systems, and scholarly communication platforms. The programme significantly enhanced awareness and encouraged greater utilization of national digital academic resources.

Implementation of IRINS

As part of the University's commitment to strengthening academic visibility, the Library facilitated the implementation of IRINS (Indian Research Information Network System) for faculty members. The initiative enabled the creation of institutional academic profiles linked with national scholarly information systems, thereby improving the visibility, accessibility, and authenticity of faculty achievements and institutional academic contributions.

Curriculum-Oriented Collection Development

To support curriculum enrichment and faculty participation in collection development, the Library organized a Book Exhibition in collaboration with The World Book, Pune. Faculty members from design school actively participated by recommending books aligned with teaching, learning, and academic requirements. The initiative strengthened collaborative collection development and ensured greater alignment between library resources and curriculum needs.

Session on Knimbus Digital Library

On 10th April 2026, the Central Library successfully conducted an online demonstration of the Knimbus digital platform to create awareness about its features and services among stakeholders. The session was attended by the Honourable Pro Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Dinesh Patel, Prof. Deepak Yadav, and Vandana Khandelwal. The presentation was delivered by Tejal Pandya from Knimbus, who provided a comprehensive overview of the platform's capabilities, including its digital resources, user interface, and accessibility features. Queries raised by faculty members and librarians of Avantika were effectively addressed by Mr. Ashish Kumar, ensuring clarity on functional and technical aspects. The session proved to be informative and beneficial in understanding the potential of the platform for enhancing the library’s digital resources and academic support services.

Knowledge Quest Competition

The University Library successfully conducted the Knowledge Quest competition on 4th February with the objective of promoting information literacy and analytical thinking among students. The event was designed as a clue-based intellectual challenge encouraging logical reasoning, problem-solving, and effective use of

library resources. Promoting a Reading Culture

The Library celebrated Reading Day and Reading Week to promote lifelong reading habits and intellectual engagement across the University community.

A series of activities were organized, including the Readers' Pledge, Reading Quiz, "Quotation of the Week" Campaign, and the "Why Read?" Poster Display. These initiatives encouraged students, faculty members, and staff to appreciate the importance of reading in personal growth, critical thinking, creativity, and lifelong learning. The enthusiastic participation reflected the Library's commitment to nurturing a vibrant reading culture on campus.

The initiatives received enthusiastic participation from the University community and reinforced the Library's role in promoting a culture of reading and lifelong learning.

The celebrations also reinforced the University's commitment to developing informed, responsible, and lifelong learners.

Technology-Enabled Library Services

The Library continued to provide a comprehensive range of technology-enabled services, including library automation through KOHA, Web OPAC, circulation services, reference assistance, document delivery, inter-library loan, new arrivals display, digital access facilities, and access to national and international scholarly resources through DELNET and other academic platforms.

The Library also provides reprographic services, digital access facilities, and dedicated multimedia systems to support information access, self-learning, and academic activities.

Institutional Impact

The initiatives undertaken during the academic year have

strengthened the Library's role as an active academic support partner in supporting teaching, learning, digital education, academic information access, and institutional development. Through policy innovation, national collaborations, academic capacity-building programmes, technology-enabled services, and reading promotion initiatives, the Library has contributed meaningfully to enhancing the University's academic environment and knowledge ecosystem.

The year marked a significant transition from a conventional library to a dynamic academic knowledge centre that actively supports institutional excellence through innovation, collaboration, and user-focused services.

Future Directions

- Expand digital knowledge resources
- Strengthen academic information services
- Promote information literacy
- Increase use of Open Educational Resources
- Enhance user engagement
- Adopt innovative library technologies
- Strengthen national and institutional academic collaborations.

The academic year 2025–26 marked a significant milestone in the continuing development of the Dnyaneshwar Central Library. Through institutional policy initiatives, national collaborations, digital knowledge services, academic information support, and reading promotion programmes, the Library strengthened its role as a dynamic knowledge centre supporting the University's vision of academic excellence, innovation, and lifelong learning.

With a continued commitment to innovation, collaboration, and user-centric services, the Dnyaneshwar Central Library remains dedicated to supporting the University's journey towards academic excellence and global standards in higher education.

Health Center

Medical Facilities

- Free of cost first-aid and medical consultation facility at campus
- 24x7 availability of Doctor
- 24x7 availability of Ambulance
- Availability of Phlebotomist (on call)
- La Carte Medicine Delivery facility
- Star Health Medical and Accidental Insurance

Medical Tie-ups

- Tejankar Health Care and Research Centre
- CHL Hospital
- Lifeline Medicos

Campus Amenities

- Cafeteria and Refectory
- Tuck Shop
- Gym
- Indoor and Outdoor Sports
- Banking Facility
- 24x7 Medical Facility with Ambulance
- 24x7x365 Online Psychological Expert Support and Personal Counseling
- Student Lounge
- Amphitheatre
- Recreation Rooms
- Music Center
- Stationery Store
- Printing and Reprographic Store
- Laundry Service
- Study and Discussion Rooms
- LAN Point and WiFi
- Free Shuttle Bus Facility to Ujjain
- E-Vehicle

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best in you...



Edugild Innovation Foundation

University Incubator at Avantika University

Edugild Innovation Foundation (EIF) is the Section 8 Company and the official university incubator of Avantika University, dedicated to fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and technology-driven ventures. The Foundation nurtures early-stage startups by providing mentorship, incubation support, access to funding opportunities, industry connections, and entrepreneurial capacity-building programmes.

Vision

Empowering early-stage entrepreneurs to create change and transform the world towards a more innovative and equitable future.

Mission

To empower diverse early-stage entrepreneurs with the knowledge, resources, and growth opportunities to build innovative solutions and lead positive change.

Year at a Glance (2025–26)

	Indicator	Achievement
1	Startups Incubated	19
2	Active Startups	14
3	Startups Exited	5
4	Government Grant Facilitated During the Year	₹15 Lakhs
5	Cumulative Funding Raised by Incubatees	₹81 Lakhs

6	Students Benefited	1,000+
7	IPR	5
8	Strategic MoUs	5
9	New Incubation Facility	B304, Avantika University

Incubated Startups during 2025-26



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

AkhandaUrja –
Nayi Urja, Nayi Udaan

Vinaya Patil, Dr. Neha Mishra

Sector Renewable Energy

Description

Clean energy solutions promoting sustainable power usage.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

SDED —
Seema Yadav

Sector Consulting / Business Development

Description

Startup development and consulting services.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Smart Wedges —
Madhuri Pardesi

Sector Product Innovation

Description

Smart consumer utility product innovation.



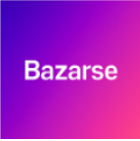
Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

PRAKASHREKHA —
Mina Thakre

Sector Electronics / Lighting

Description

Smart lighting technology solutions.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Bazarse —
Vinamra Parihar

Sector E-commerce

Description

Digital marketplace connecting local sellers and buyers.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Cellchrome Biotech Pvt Ltd —
Ajinkya Terkar, Jitendra Shinde

Sector Biotechnology / Healthcare

Description

Biotech research and healthcare innovation.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Bharat Yatra —
Bhakti Dangri, Riya Ranjan,
Gaurav Ojha

Sector Travel Tech / Tourism

Description

Digital platform for travel planning and tourism services.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Echo —
Mihika Lagwankar

Sector Smart Devices / IoT

Description

Smart connected device solution.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

FINMATE —
TUSHAR INGLE.

Sector Finance and Fintech.

Description

AI-powered personal finance assistant platform designed to help users manage, understand, & improve their financial health.

Major Achievements

During the reporting period, Edugild Innovation Foundation strengthened Avantika University's innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem by supporting student innovators, startups, and industry collaborations. A significant achievement was the selection of Devaindra Rathore from the School of Engineering under the MSME Idea Hackathon 5.0, organized by the Ministry of MSME, securing a government grant of ₹15 lakhs for the innovation, "Safety Protector Barrier for an Overflowed Bridge." This brought the cumulative government funding enabled for incubated startups to ₹81 lakhs in last two years.

Edugild Innovation Foundation further received 93 innovative ideas under the MSME Idea Hackathon programme, of which 40 high-potential ideas were recommended to the Ministry of MSME for further evaluation, reflecting the growing innovation culture across the University.

Startup & Innovation Ecosystem

During the reporting year, the Foundation:

- Incubated 19 startups across diverse sectors.
- Supported 14 active startups through mentoring, business development, networking, and funding facilitation.
- Successfully graduated or completed incubation support for 3 startups.
- Continued to strengthen its incubation ecosystem by providing entrepreneurial guidance, expert mentoring, and access to government funding opportunities.

Student Entrepreneurship & Capacity Building

Edugild Innovation Foundation remained committed to cultivating an entrepreneurial mindset among students through innovation-driven programmes.

During the reporting period:

- More than 1500 students participated in entrepreneurship development programmes, innovation workshops, hackathons, and incubation-related activities.
- Students received exposure to design thinking, startup development, innovation management, business modelling, and government funding opportunities.
- Multiple awareness sessions were organised to encourage participation in national innovation and startup initiatives.

Intellectual Property & Innovation

Innovation continued to be a key focus area.

During the reporting period:

- 3 Patents were filed.
- 2 Designs were filed.

These achievements demonstrate the University's emphasis on research translation, product innovation, & intellectual property creation.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

EcoFent Solutions —
Hanwante Tejas Vinod, Anju
Jadhav, Krishna Vyas

Sector Sustainability / Environment

Description

Eco-friendly waste management and sustainability solutions.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Automatic Panipuri Machine —
Siddharth Chouhan, Neelima
Chouhan, Prakash Chouhan

Sector Food Tech / Automation

Description

Biotech research and healthcare innovation.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

The Scarlet Haus —
Antara Ghatak

Sector Fashion / Lifestyle

Description

Fashion and lifestyle brand focused on creative design.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Smart Work Mart —
Aditya Swaroop, Aman Saxena

Sector Marketplace / Services

Description

Digital marketplace connecting services and customers.



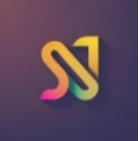
Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

AnganConnect —
Gourav Singh Panwar, Murtuza
Ali Freeganjwala.

Sector Healthcare & Biotechnology.

Description

Angan Connect is a bilingual (Hindi + English), offline-first Android app that digitizes the complete ICDS workflow.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Gompa Tech —
Siddharth Solanki

Sector Software / IT

Description

Software and digital product development solutions.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Mandi Slot Booking —
Mohit Sharma

Sector AgriTech

Description

Platform for managing mandi logistics and slot scheduling.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

PlayRadar AI —
Himanshu Arekar

Sector AI / Sports Tech

Description

AI-based sports analytics and performance tracking platform.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Avanija —
Priyansh Sharma.

Sector Consumer Products & Services.

Description

Developing durable, non-toxic, and heritage inspired pet products that solve the common issues of short lifespans, safety risks, and poor aesthetics in current offerings.



Start-up Name / Lead Cofounder

Anaya AI —
Hiral Dhanak.

Sector Healthcare & Biotechnology

Description

An AI-enabled smartwatch that integrates HRV, EDA, skin temperature, and heart rate to detect mood patterns & correlate them with PCOD-related hormonal changes.

Infrastructure Development

A major milestone during the year was the inauguration of the new Edugild Innovation Foundation incubation facility at B304, Avantika University.

The new incubation space was inaugurated by Dr. Sunil Karad, providing startups with an enhanced collaborative environment equipped for incubation activities, mentoring sessions, meetings, and entrepreneurial engagement.



Landmark Achievement

Edugild Innovation Foundation achieved a significant distinction by becoming the first university incubator in Central India to secure government funding for four startup ideas in its very first participation in the MSME Idea Hackathon, organised by the Ministry of MSME, Government of India.

Received 93 ideas from Innovators across India for MSME Idea Hackathon 4.0, out of which 40 ideas were forwarded to the Ministry of MSME

This achievement reflects the strength of the University's innovation ecosystem and its ability to nurture high-potential entrepreneurial ideas capable of addressing real-world challenges.

The team

Dr. Nitin Rane- Board of Director, Edugild Innovation Foundation

Mr. Vinayak Kshirsagar- Board of Director, Edugild Innovation Foundation

Dr. Manesh Patil- Advisor, Edugild Innovation Foundation

Dr. Surendra Rahmatkar- Advisor, Edugild Innovation Foundation

Mr. Shailesh Bhokare- Assistant Director, Edugild Innovation Foundation

Mr. Purusharth Singh Chauhan- Academic Associate, Edugild Innovation Foundation

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Innovation & Incubation
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Ms. Ira Misal
President, E
Cell Avantika University



Mr. Naman Patel
Student Convener, IIC
Avantika University

Activities and Events Organized by Edugild Innovation

Foundation & ECell

Name of Activity	Type	Date of Activity
▪ Attended IIT Indore E-Summit	Visit	Aug 30, 2025
▪ Avantika University E-Summit	Competition	Jan 16, 2026
▪ AI: The Big Question (Akshay Dwivedi)	Guest Session	Jan 28, 2026
▪ Entrepreneurship Awareness Program	Guest Session	Feb 10, 2026
▪ E-Cell X Tedx Speakers	Guest Session	Feb 26, 2026
▪ Science Day (Rishab Bapna)	Guest Session	Mar 2, 2026
▪ Women's Day (English Vinglish)	Movie Night	Mar 7, 2026
▪ Think Tank 2026	Competition	Mar 18, 2026
▪ Sesion by Dr. Ashish Panat	Guest Session	Mar 18, 2026
▪ Game Day	Competition	Apr 2, 2026
▪ World Intellectual Property Rights Day	Quiz	Apr 26, 2026
▪ National Technology Day	Quiz	May 11, 2026
▪ International MSME Day	Quiz	June 27, 2026

Looking Ahead

In the coming year, Edugild Innovation Foundation aims to:

- Expand the startup portfolio across emerging technology sectors.
- Increase access to national and international funding opportunities.
- Strengthen industry and investor engagement.
- Promote student and faculty entrepreneurship.
- Enhance innovation-led research commercialisation.
- Build a robust ecosystem that contributes to employment generation, economic development, and societal impact through entrepreneurship.

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Upcoming Year

Expand the academic portfolio with the launch of new programs and specializations.

Create cross-faculty, interdisciplinary research teams based on individual faculty strengths to address problems of interest and relevance.

Explore newer accreditations and rankings in order to improve quality.

Contribute to Community projects focusing on Simhastha 2028.

In collaboration with Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board (MPTB) complete projects in Madhya Pradesh key areas namely Maheshwar, Bagh, Bhairugarh etc.

Strengthen the networks with academia, industry, and research institutions to augment the teaching, learning, research, and development activities.

Strengthen networking with global partners and achieve global research grants.

Apply for more grants under MSME and other initiatives for strengthening the Incubation ecosystem.

Conduct more events for international exposure through the

Consortium for promoting internationalisation in Madhya Pradesh.

Initiate steps towards sustainability and instil the values of socially, economically, and environmentally responsible citizenship.

Leadership

■ Founder



Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad

Founder & Chief Patron - MAEER's
MIT Group of Institutions
Founder President - MIT-WPU
Chairman (Governing Body) - MIT-WPU

"Taking a nod of learnings from Indian culture, Avantika aims to provide the most inspiring learning environment that stresses on the all-round development of an individual."

■ Executive President



Dr. Sunil Karad

Executive President, Avantika University
Trustee and Treasurer of MAEER's MIT
Group, Pune

"The objective of Avantika is to change the perspective about higher education and to create change makers who can transform the society at large."

■ Chancellor



Dr. Sanjay Dhande

Former Director - IIT Kanpur

"Avantika is essentially a community of learners, harboring the belief that there is always more to know and discover. We're open to changes and challenges, and in the perpetual pursuit of ideas that spark innovation."

■ Vice Chancellor



Dr. Nitin Rane

Vice Chancellor, Avantika University

"Avantika aspires to provide comprehensive education by which creative and analytical strength of mind are increased, in-depth intellect is expanded, and all-round character is formed, leading to the holistic development of an individual."

Statutory Bodies

Governing Body



Sanjay Dhande
Chancellor, Chairman
(Ex-Officio)



Dr. Sunil Karad
Nominee of
Sponsoring Body



Nitin Rane
Vice Chancellor
Member



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Prof. Prakash Joshi
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Sponsoring Body



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Chairman (Ex-Officio)



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Government



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Dr. Harish Bapat
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Manesh Patil
Member Secretary
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Dr. Punit Kumar Dwivedi
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Government



Dr. Satyajit Pangaonkar
Senior Teacher

Academic Council



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Vikram University, Ujjain
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School of Design
(Member)



Satish Ranade
Former GM at WIPRO
(Nominee of Chancellor)



Dr. Anil Dixit
Joint Director, Crop Health
Management Research
ICAR-National Institute of
Biotic Stress Management
(NIBSM), Raipur, Chhattisgarh
(Nominee of Chancellor)



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(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)



Dr. Aruno Raj Singh

(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)



Prof. M. Senthil Kumar

Controller of Examination
(Member)



Dr. Ayon Sarkar

(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)



Dr. Kamlesh Gholani

(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)



Dr. Priya Rao

Dean External Relations
(Member)



Prof. Nitin Kulkarni

(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)



Manesh Patil

Member Secretary
(Ex-Officio)



Dr. Satyajit Pangaonkar

(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)



Dr. Ankur Kumar Rastogi

(Nominee - Vice Chancellor)

Finance Committee



Nitin Rane

Vice Chancellor
(Ex-Officio Chairman)



Dr. Surendra Rahamatkar

Pro - VC and Dean (Member)



CA Gajendra Verma

Chief Finance and Accounts Officer (CFAO)
(Nominee of Chancellor)



CA Aditya Namjoshi

Special Invitee



Mr. Vinayak Kshirsagar

Nominee of Governing Body



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Member Secretary
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Cultural Secretary (Male)

Vishal Gore
SY B.Des (AD)



Cultural Secretary (Female)

Netra Satone
SY B.DES (UXD)



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Sports Secretary (Female)

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FY B.Tech



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Health & Wellness Secretary

Yashwini Ahuja
SY M.Des (GD)



Health & Wellness Secretary

Priya Tomar
FY B.Tech

About Avantika

Avantika University

Avantika is envisioned as India's first design-centered university that cross-links design thinking and creative spirit with engineering on a solid foundation of liberal education.

The university is poised to create a unique learning center that imparts joyful education to aspiring learners in problem solving. It aims to bring about a paradigm shift in the pedagogy and assessment. The academic structure is intended to not just support professional growth but also develop the students to become innovators and entrepreneurs.

Design Culture

Design is an ethos that inspires learners to think and act on challenges to create meaningful experiences. This spirit is embedded across all programs at Avantika.

How to Learn

Avantika brings about a paradigm shift in pedagogy by empowering students with an approach of HOW to learn instead of WHAT to learn.

Cross-Disciplinary Approach

Avantika aims to give a holistic view of education by exposing students to multiple disciplines. The academic model blends Design Thinking with other disciplines.

About MIT Pune

Avantika University is an MIT Pune Campus at Ujjain. Established in 1983, Maharashtra Institute of Technology (MIT) is the first private Engineering Institute to be established in the city of Pune, Maharashtra. MIT Group of Institutions is a multi-disciplinary, multi-locational center of excellence that has contributed towards the industrial, economic, and social growth of the society for over three decades, and has helped realize the dreams and aspirations of thousands of students. The group has spread its wings across Maharashtra with campuses in Kothrud, Alandi, and Loni - Kalbhor within Pune, along with Latur, Talegaon, Ambejogai, and Pandharpur.

Established in 1983

Presence across primary, secondary and tertiary education

Students from across India and Globe

20+ Campuses in Maharashtra | Madhya Pradesh | Meghalaya

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Universities

80+
Institutes

5,000+
Faculty

50,000+
Students

5,00,000+
Alumni





In the Avantika logo, the Lotus symbolizes potential and in its fully blossomed form represents enlightenment and awareness. The flower is deeply rooted in Indian culture, particularly associated with Saraswati - the Goddess of Wisdom.

The transdisciplinary approach is represented through the confluence of sections, implying an immersive learning experience. The transition of colors represents evolution of an individual at Avantika University.

The identity reflects transformation and it is the knowledge (Vidya) that takes us through this transformation and leads us to accomplishment (Siddhi).

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