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PARTICIPATORY LEARNING

During their three-day rural study at Ananthandapuram near Mayiladuthurai, the second-year Architecture students from Batch 2022-27 (42 students) engaged in a comprehensive rural study. The primary objective was to cultivate social responsibility through various activities.

On the first day (06.02.2024), students conducted a Focus Group Discussion with the Panchayat President and residents, extracting the settlement's timeline and delving into its history and culture through interviews and surveys to gather demographical details.

The second day involved multifaceted tasks. One group conducted household surveys, while another documented the indigenous knowledge system, focusing on vernacular architecture through sketches and photographs. Simultaneously, a third group assessed existing infrastructure and engaged with the local community.

On the third day (08.02.2024), the research team undertook a comprehensive mapping exercise. Social mapping identified and documented social structures, economic mapping focused on economic activities, resource mapping assessed available resources, and land use mapping categorized different areas within the settlement. The team also actively engaged with community representatives, gaining insights into challenges faced by residents.

By combining quantitative data from mapping exercises with qualitative information from community interactions, the research team aimed to develop a nuanced understanding of the settlement. This understanding would serve as a basis for formulating strategies and recommendations to address challenges and contribute to the community's well-being.



Coordinators:

Ar.Kavitha V.S,Asso.Prof/Arch & Dean ic/FAP
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Ar.E.Uma Mouthiga,Asst.Prof/Arch

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

As part of experiential learning, a case study trip was arranged for third-year students (2021-2026) enrolled in the elective course XAR604A: Glass in Architecture from 10.02.2024 - 11.02.2024. The group, consisting of 15 students, visited and thoroughly examined several structures and facilities, including:

1. AIS Experience Window Centre in Bangalore.
2. Museum of Art and Photography in Bangalore.
3. Crystal Hall in Bangalore.

During this trip, students gained insights into the diverse applications of glass in different segments of a building, explored the current market trends in glass, and observed the contemporary uses of glass. Furthermore, they had the valuable opportunity to engage with Ar. Thomas Abraham, the Principal Architect of Global Design Studio and the founder of Idea World Wide School of Design. Architect Abraham shared in-depth details about the design process behind his residence, "The Crystal Hall."



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EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

As part of the experiential learning component in the Advanced Building Technologies course, a case study was arranged for third-year students belonging to Batch 2021-26 (comprising 20 students) on 11.02.2024. The aim was to bridge the gap in between organizational expectations for their workforce and the capabilities nurtured within educational institutions. The students engaged in site visits to ongoing construction projects, exploring diverse building types and locations in and around Trichy.

Their first stop was at Navinidha Silks & Clothing Centre in Kattur, where they observed the progress of cladding works on the front elevation and gained insights into the construction methods and materials employed.

The second visit took them to a residence in Amman Nagar, Trichy, focusing on the exploration of various finishing materials used for interiors. Lastly, at Burger King in Annamalai Nagar, Worayur, Trichy, the students delved into the fixing details of HCL and ACP materials used in the exterior.

Ar. S. Subramanian, a faculty member with a tenured position and an alumnus, who also happens to be the designer of these buildings, offered detailed explanations about the technologies incorporated in their construction.



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FLIP THE CLASSROOM

First-year students from the department of Architecture visited the three decade old Geotechnical Laboratory at the Civil Engineering Department on 09.02.2024, where Dr.S. Senthamil Kumaran delivered a lecture on diverse soil types and their properties. The session provided valuable insights into the characteristics of various soils. The students had a hands-on experience, seeing and feeling different soil types, enhancing their understanding of soil science and its practical applications.



Coordinators:

Dr.C.V.Subramanian,Prof/Arch

Ar.Manjari.S,Asst.Prof/Arch

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

The final year Mechanical, Civil,EEE, and Biotechnology students(2020-2024) visited the PMIST Nursery on 12.02.2024 to enhance their knowledge for their elective subject XAROE1 - Landscape and Gardening. The visit focused on identifying plant names, understanding growing mediums, and recognizing visual and physical characteristics of plants. This practical experience aims to enrich their understanding of landscaping and gardening principles.



Coordinator:

Ar.J.Mullai, Asso.Prof/Arch



EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

The first-year 'A' section students (Batch 2023-2028) from the Department of Architecture embarked on experiential learning through site studies for pavilion design on 22.02.2024. They explored five diverse sites, gaining insights into existing features and constraints. This hands-on approach enhanced their understanding of practical challenges in architectural design. The experience laid a foundation for practical application and creativity in their architectural journey.



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EXPERT LECTURE SERIES #1

Ar. Ram Sateesh Pasupuleti, IIT/Roorkee delivered a comprehensive talk on 23.02.2024 where he reviewed a rural study conducted by second-year 'A' section students of the Department of Architecture. Dr. Ram connected with the students through an online Google Meet session, facilitating discussions and interactions.

The four student groups, focusing on documenting and analyzing various aspects such as the history and evolution of the settlement, physical characteristics, community and infrastructure facilities, socio-economic and demographic trends, and housing typology and construction methods, shared their work progress.

Dr. Ram provided valuable insights based on his observations, sharing some of the earlier studies conducted under his guidance and motivating the students. His expertise contributed to the understanding and refinement of the student's work.

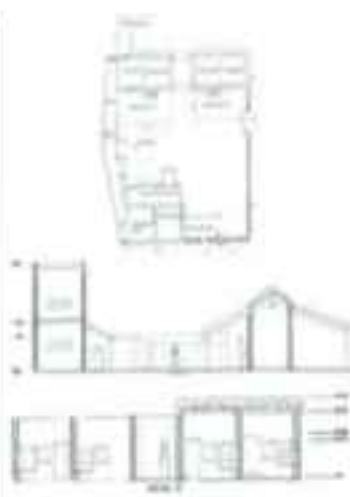


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EXPERT LECTURE SERIES #2

Ar. Shanthosh Shanmugam from Shanmugam Associates, Trichy, delivered an online lecture on 23.02.2024 to the final year 'A' and 'B' sections students on the Department of Architecture focusing on Concept Development and Thesis Site Zoning. The talk aimed to enhance student's understanding of conceptualization and strategic zoning for their thesis projects. Through insights, Ar. Shanthosh Shanmugam shared expertise on effectively conceptualizing architectural designs and optimizing site usage. The lecture provided valuable guidance for students as they approach their thesis projects.



Coordinators:

Ar.S.Subramanian,Prof/Arch & (EC member, TN Chapter)

Ar. J.Mullai, Asso.Prof/Arch

Ar. K.Chithra, Asst.Prof/Arch

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Ar. V.S.Kavitha, Asso.Prof/Arch & Dean i/c/,FAP

GUEST LECTURE ORGANIZED & DELIVERED

A delegation consisting of eleven first-year architecture students and two faculty members from Avani Institute of Design in Kozhikode, Kerala, paid a visit to our campus on 24.02.2024, as part of their research on the history of architecture in Thanjavur.

During their visit, Ar. V.S.Kavitha, Asso.Prof/Arch & Dean i/c/,FAP, delivered a presentation focusing on the socio-cultural aspects of the Brihadeesvara temple and its surroundings, as well as the broader cultural and architectural landscape of Thanjavur. This presentation aimed to fulfill their academic curiosity and expand their knowledge in the field.

PMIST-FAP is honored to serve as a knowledge resource for this region, contributing to the academic pursuits of visiting institutions and fostering collaborative learning.



Coordinator:
Ar.S.Vithyalakshmi, Asst.Prof/Arch

NSS - HPV DISEASE PREVENTION

The Department of Architecture, PMIST, organized an online webinar addressing HPV disease prevention and its significance on 05.02.2024. Attended by students, staff, and parents, the webinar aimed to raise awareness about HPV prevention methods. Participants from diverse academic backgrounds engaged in the event, fostering a comprehensive understanding of the disease. The webinar provided crucial insights into the importance of HPV prevention strategies, empowering attendees with knowledge of proactive health measures. PMIST's initiative reflects its commitment to holistic education and community health awareness.



COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION PROGRAMME

Dr. S. Usha Nandhini Maniram, Fetal Medicine Specialist, Masters in Ultrasonography, Tiny Hearts, Thanjavur delivered a talk about the "Awareness on Young Adult Health" seminar on 14.02.2024, in which first, second, and third-year architecture students actively participated. The seminar aimed to heighten student's awareness of personal well-being and promote the adoption of a healthy lifestyle, offering a comprehensive overview of health-related topics relevant to both academic and personal aspects of their lives.



Organizer:

Department of social work, PMIST along with Tiny Hearts paediatric & fetal cardiac clinic.

Coordinators:

Dr. A. Ananad Jerard Sebastine, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work & Director i/c, Periyar PURA CRD, PMIST and

Ms. HAZEL Z.K., II-MSW, Department of Social Work, PMIST.



Coordinators:
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URBAN DESIGN TALK

A group of 42 fourth-year architecture students and three faculty members from McGan's Ooty School of Architecture visited our campus today (03.02.2024) as part of their urban research in Thanjavur.

Ar. Kavitha V.S,Asso.Prof/Arch & Dean ic / FAP, gave a presentation about Thanjavur's architecture, history, culture, and urban development in response to their desire to expand their academic studies.

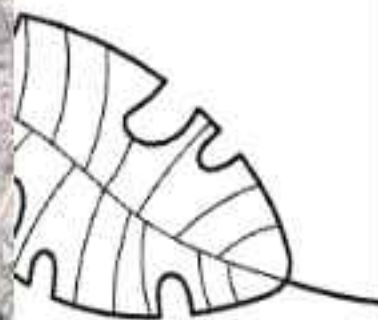
Ar. N. Ramesh Babu, Asso.Prof/ Arch, discussed Special Regulations, SMART City efforts, and project recommendations.

Ar. K. Jasmine Vidhya, HoD/Arch, gave a welcome and thanks note.



PMIST CAMPUS VISIT

The 4th-year students from McGans School of Architecture visited the PMIST campus on 03.02.2024.Ar. K. Chithra,Asst.Prof/Arch and Ar. S. Manjari,Asst.Prof/Arch led the students on a campus tour, where they learned about PMIST's green efforts and sustainable practices which covered the construction of Millennium Cottage, PKC Library, bamboo structures at Gora Cottage, the Indoor Stadium, and the Bamboo Forest, providing valuable insights.



Organiser:
CHRD, PMIST

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Ar.S.Sreebavithra Asst.Prof/Arch actively participated in a "Train the Trainer program" on 3D printing conducted by Prag Robotics, Chennai. The program was held from 12.02.2024 - 15.02.2024, and equipped Ar.S.Sree Bavithra with valuable skills and knowledge in utilising 3D printing technology.



WORKSHOP ON ESSENTIAL PROFICIENCIES FOR MENTORS

The faculty members Ar.S.Sree Bavithra, Asst.Prof/Arch, Er.R.Latha/Arch (19.02.2024), Ar.E.Uma Mouthiga, Asst.Prof/Arch (20.02.2024), Ar.R.Kalaivani, Asst.Prof/Arch, Ar.S.Suganthi, Asst.-Prof(SG)/Arch (21.02.2024), Ar.S.Vithyalakshmi, Asst.Prof/Arch, Ar.S.Banazir Banu, Asst.Prof/Arch, Ar.M.Sangavi, Asst.Prof/Arch, Ar.S.Manjari, Asst.Prof/Arch (22.02.2024) and Ar.K.Chithra, Asst.-Prof/Arch (23.02.2024) from the Department of Architecture actively participated in the workshop on "Essential Proficiencies for Mentors", featuring resource persons Ms. D. Lily Pushpam, Professional Counselor, PMIST, Ms.T.Alamelu, Asst.Prof/Department of Social Work, PMIST and Ms.R.Anbumathi, Counselor Trainee, PMIST. The session proved enriching as faculty members gained valuable knowledge.



Organizer:
Centre for Students and Administrative Services (CSAS)
Conveners:
Dr.S.Gomathi, Deputy Director, CSAS
Dr.C.V.Subramanian, Prof./Arch & Director, CSAS

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PAM FOREIGN STUDIES SEMINAR

Fifth-year students (Batch 2019-2024) from the Department of Architecture, including Mr. Prathap, Mr. Akshayadharan, Mr. Vasikaran, Mr. Hariharan, Ms. Swathi, Ms. Keerthana, Ms. Divya Bharathi, Ms. Akshaya, Ms. Rudhi Krithika, and Ms. Mahalakshmi, actively participated in the PAM Foreign Studies Seminar conducted on 13.02.2024. They gained valuable insights into global practices and trends during the seminar, which provided a platform to engage with industry experts.

OBE WORKSHOP

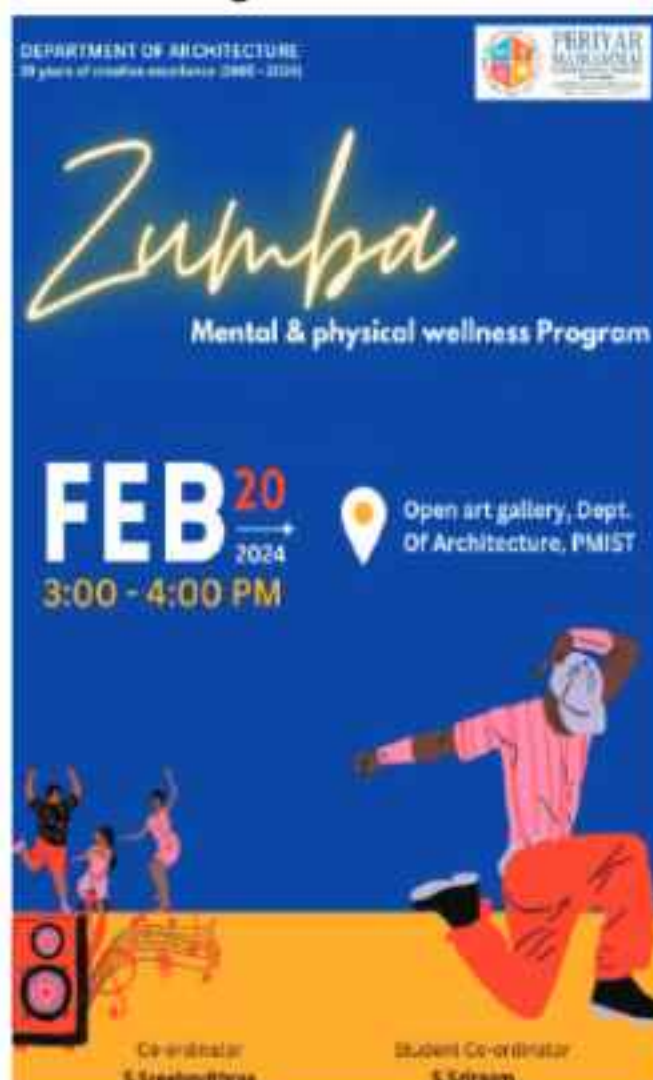
Ar.V.S.Kavitha, Asso.Prof/Arch & Dean i/c FAP, Ar. K. Jasmine Vidhya, Asso.Prof/Arch & HOD, and Ms. S. Suganthi, Asst.Prof (SG)/Arch actively participated in the OBE workshop at Dawkins Hall from 22.02.2024 – 23.02.2024. The event, addressed by the honorable Vice-Chancellor Dr.V.Ramachandran, offered valuable insights into Outcome-Based Education (OBE), enhancing their understanding. Their engagement reflects a commitment to advancing educational practices.

Organizers:

Dr.J.Jeyachidra, Dean Academic (TLE)
Dr.Violet Julie, Dean Academic (CDT)

ZUMBA – MENTAL & PHYSICAL WELLNESS PROGRAM

The Department of Architecture hosted a Zumba program at Le Corbusier Hall on 20.02.2024, prioritizing the mental and physical wellness of students. The initiative aimed to engage participants, alleviate stress, and foster a vibrant community. Students from diverse academic years enthusiastically participated, contributing to a lively atmosphere.



Coordinators:

Ar.S.SreeBavithra, Asst.Prof/Arch
Student Coordinator:
Mr.S.Sriram, 2nd Year 'A' section/Arch

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Coordinator:
Er.R.Latha, Asst.Prof/Arch

NSS ACTIVITY

Students from 1st to 3rd year in the Department of Architecture participated in an NSS activity at Thachanguruchi from 12.02.2024 - 16.02.2024. During this event, they collaborated to embellish school walls by creating illustrations of Tamil letters, conveying social messages, and incorporating cartoon characters. This collective effort not only improved the visual appeal of the schools but also showcased their dedication to community service and social responsibility.





PROFESSIONAL BODY ACTIVITIES

GENERAL BODY MEETING, IIA- TAMILNADU CHAPTER

The Tamil Nadu Chapter of The Indian Institute of Architects held its Second General Body Meeting for 2023-2024 on 03.02.2024, at Courtyard by Marriott in Tiruchirappalli, followed by Inspire 3.2, a presentation by Shanmugam Associates (SA). Faculty members from the Department of Architecture, including Ar. Kavitha V.S., Ar. K.Jasmine Vidhya, Ar. C.V.Subramanian, Ar. N.Ramesh Babu, Ar.R. Kalaivani, and Ar.S. Pratheeba, engaged with colleagues from across the state. The meeting served as an opportunity to gather input for enhancing the B. Arch degree program, with valuable contributions from professional experts, practicing architects, and alumni. Notably, tenured faculty members Ar. S.Subramanian, (EC member, TN Chapter), Ar.G.Rajava, (Chairman, Trichy Chapter), Ar.S.Balaharikrishnan (EC member, Trichy Chapter) provided strong support during the event.



CONSULTANCY MEETING

A consultation session took place between the technical team of Saint Gobain glass industry in Chennai and the architectural team led by Ar.N.Ramesh Babu, Associate Professor and Deputy Director of PECS, along with Mr.V.Karthi, Project Associate. The focus of the discussion was the interior works of the Art Gallery within Thanjavur Maratha Palace. This meeting, held on 16.02.2024, involved a detailed presentation of requirements by the architectural team and obtaining essential insights from the technical experts at Saint Gobain.





OUTSTANDING MEMBER AWARD – IIA NATCON

Ar. G. Rajaa, Chairman of the Trichy Chapter and Professor (Tenure) in the Department of Architecture, was honoured with the Outstanding Member Award at the IIA NATCON in Lucknow on 12.02.2024.



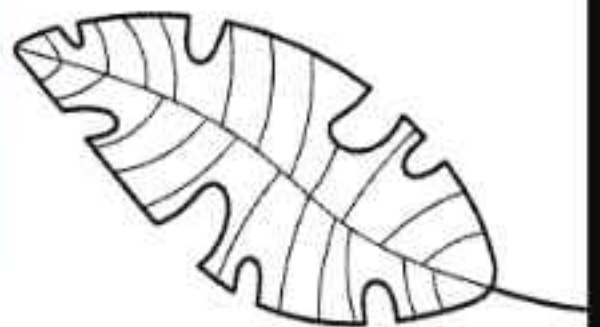
AWARD FOR OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

The Department of Architecture was honored with the Annai Nagammaiyar award for orchestrating the highest number of outreach activities during the 36th Annual Day for the academic year 2023-2024 on 21.02.2024.



CHANCELLOR AWARD

Ar.N.Ramesh Babu, Asso.Prof/Arch from the Department of Architecture was honored with the "Chancellor Award" at the 36th Annual day for "Excellence in Overall Performance" for the academic year 2023-2024 on 21.02.2024.



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PEN AND INK SKETCHING COMPETITION

First and second-year students from the Department of Architecture enthusiastically participated in a pen and ink sketching competition held at the Palace Complex in Thanjavur on 17.02.2024, showcasing their artistic talents and creativity. The competition provided them with a platform to express their architectural vision and appreciation for cultural heritage.



The students earned prizes totalling Rs. 4500 in the competition. Mr. C. Rohith Viswa, a third-year student, clinched the first position, the second position was claimed by Mr.S. Sriram a second-year student, while Mr. K.R. Vetrivelan (first year) and Mr. P. Dharunkumar, (second-year) secured the third position. This competition was part of the broader 'Oviya Santhai' event held at the Palace Complex in Thanjavur from 16.02.2024 - 18.02.2024, organized by the Thanjavur Tourism Promotion Council.



Organizer:

PMIST along with Thanjavur Tourism Promotion Council

Coordinator:

Ar.N.Ramesh Babu,Asso.Prof/Arch

Co-Coordination:

Ar.S.Banazir Banu,Asst.Prof/Arch

Ar.S.Sreebavithra,Asst.Prof/Arch

Ar.M.Sangavi,Asst.Prof/Arch

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OVIYA SANTHAI

The art creations of the Department of Architecture students were showcased at the 'Oviya Santhai' (Art Market) held at the Palace Complex in Thanjavur from 16.02.2024 - 18.02.2024, organized by the Thanjavur Tourism Promotion Council. Among the participants, Mr. Rohith Viswa, a third-year student, skillfully produced on-the-spot portraits of visitors, earning recognition from the audience. Additionally, Mr. Dharun Kumar, a second-year student, received accolades from our Thanjavur district collector, Mr. Deepak Jacob I.A.S, for his outstanding artwork. Mr. Jacob extended an invitation to Mr. Dharun Kumar to contribute his art expertise to the police department for the purpose of identifying suspected criminals.



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Co-Coordination:

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Ar.S.Sreebavithra, Asst.Prof/Arch

Ar.M.Sangavi, Asst.Prof/Arch





CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

PEACE 2024 - PERFORMANCE

Ms. S.B. Janani from 5th-year A section (Batch 2019-2024) showcased her dancing prowess at Peace 2024 through a captivating performance on 17.02.2024.

DANCE PERFORMANCE AT ANNUAL DAY 2023 - 2024

Ms. S.B. Janani, fifth year 'A' section student (Batch 2019-2024) and Ms. Rakshna J, first-year 'A' section student (Batch 2023-2028) from the Department of Architecture, showcased a captivating Bharatnatyam performance at the 36th Annual Day 2023-24 (21.02.2024). The performance was delightful to watch, adding a vibrant touch to the event.



BEST OUTGOING STUDENT AWARD

Ms. R. Haripriya, a B.Arch fifth-year 'A' section student (Batch 2019-2024) and Ms. M. Swetha, a second year M.Arch student (Batch 2022 - 2024) from the Department of Architecture, was honored with the "Best Outgoing Student Award" during the 36th Annual Day (21.02.2024) for the academic year 2023-2024.



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SPORTS COMPETITION

Mr.B.Kavin Sunder, Mr.P.G.Vallarasu, and Mr.P.Sanjai Birabu, first-year 'A' section (Batch 2023 - 2028) students from the Department of Architecture, showcased their athleticism by securing the runners-up position in cricket during the sports competition held at PMIST on 13.02.2024.



PEACE 2024 - COMPETITION

Mr. A. Josiah Noel from 5th-year A section (Batch 2019-2024) won the music instrument solo category at Peace 2024, showcasing exceptional talent and contributing to the event's musical vibrancy on 17.02.2024.

ANNUAL SPORTS DAY 2024 - STAFF

Ar. K. Jasmine Vidhya, Asso.Prof/Arch & HOD secured the winner position in the throwball team competition while Ar. M.Sangavi, Asst.Prof/Arch and Er. R.Latha, Asst.Prof/Arch secured the runner-up position in the throwball team competition at the Annual Sports Day 2024 (21.02.2024). Additionally, Er. R.Latha, Asst.Prof/Arch secured the 2nd position in shotput. These achievements reflect the energetic and talented faculty members in the Department of Architecture.



ANNUAL SPORTS DAY 2024 - STUDENT

Ms.S.Sivadharani, third year 'A' section (Batch 2021 - 2026) from the Department of Architecture, showcased her athleticism by securing the winner position in the 400m relay and badminton singles in competition (yellow house) during the Annual Sports Day 2024 (21.02.2024) held at PMIST. Additionally, she also secured the runner up position in the throwball team competition.



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