

# Tapasya

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"...a quest for knowledge..."

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## Message from the Issue Editor



Dear readers,

When it comes to finding out what's happening around town, there's nothing quite like

leaning one elbow on the fence and shooting the breeze with your next-door neighbour. It is also just hard to beat getting the latest news from a trusted friend.

Many of us have grown up during a time when news was more of a monologue. Now, thanks to the interactive communication made available by advancing technology, there's been a real shift toward dialogue.

This online version of our university magazine, Tapasya, is a good example of that. It is a major milestone in the progress and development of our university; just like an army marching on its stomach. The magazine opens a window of opportunity to many people enlightening them with the knowledge that as an institution, we are destined for a bright future. The great stride gained by ICFAI University Nagaland in the short period, ever since its establishment, ignites pleasure and satisfaction in me. We are creating a future full of optimism and enthusiasm, a future where every endeavour will succeed and ineptitude and disillusionment will be things of the past.

To all the readers: *"A Little Patience And Sobriety Will See Us Through. Remember, You Never Get The Chicks By Breaking The Eggs: They Hatch. Where There Is Life, There Is Hope."*

Thank You and God Bless.

**Ms. Chonbeni Jami**  
Student Advisor, IUN

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# Campus News

On the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2014, the *Department of Management* of IUN organized “**BizHorn 2014**” the first ever management festival in the university. The festival consisted of a multitude of exciting events with participants from quite a



good number of colleges and institutes in Dimapur such as – Patkai Christian College, National Institute of Technology (NIT) and Immanuel College, to name a few. Shri



*Nuklutoshi, Hon'ble Minister of State for Soil & Water Conservation and National Highway & Mechanical Engineering, Govt. of Nagaland, patronized the event as the Chief guest.*



The *Department of English* of IUN enacted the legendary drama - **“The Spanish Tragedy”** by **Thomas Kyd** on the *11<sup>th</sup> of November, 2014*. This is the first ever drama to be enacted in the university campus. *Col. (Dr.) VRK Prasad, Vice Chancellor of IUN* patronized the show as the Chief Guest.



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# Turning Point

Mr. Piyesu A. Assumi, B.A. 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

It is indeed an honour and pleasure to be writing about my first few months' experiences being a part of this huge family of the ICFAI University. Though my choosing of this University (a very funny story behind), I believe, I have chosen an ideal place for my education; a very study-oriented campus away from the hustle and bustle town of Dimapur, with minimum traffic and noise pollution.

Having been away from a normal academic life for a very long time, I was a confused man when I first came to the University. Being confined in my own comfort zone, I had wanted to remain the same during the early days here. However the only thing that was keeping me was a decision I had taken after I attended a lecture during our preparatory classes. That single lecture became a turning point not only in my education but it changed my life's perspective.

Honestly, I was apprehensive about attending my classes as I was away from any kinds of books, but then the lecturer's detailing of the topic bit by bit made it very easy to cope up to an extent with my brilliant classmates. These few months at the University has helped me become a more responsible person in every way from my studies to my daily activities. Although every subject is very interesting, Philosophy amazes me the most. It has made a big impact in my life and has broadened my mentality.

Looking back two months from now, I feel I am a changed man and the University has motivated me to keep on striving for excellence in every walk of life. I am looking forward to the academic activities in the coming months but as of now, I am happy and content with the experiences the University, my lecturers and my class has to offer. ICFAI University is like a home away from home though I have to spend just a few hours in the campus.

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# My ICFAI Experience

Mr. Pelekholie Kesiezie, B.A. 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester

Ever since the day I joined ICFAI University, my life has been like a rollercoaster – sometimes up sometimes down, but at the same time, I have been enjoying every glide of this ride. I have made so many friendly and supportive friends from the day I joined this University. The teachers and the staff are also very friendly and always ready to help the students whenever needed.

I was never the type of person who used to love to study, forget about the study, I was not even interested to attend my classes; of course it wasn't because of the college or the teachers but I was just too lazy in my studies. I am still astonished and amazed as to how I made this far. It was not because of me working hard I should say but it was all because of the hard work and dedication of the teachers towards the students.

This University has created a lot of opportunity for us students by organizing so many events and programmes, necessary for the moral upliftment of the students. It has created avenues to expose the talents of the students by allowing them to take part in what she or he is best at: it does so by organizing the literary weeks, sports weeks and other various programmes in which the students are allowed to showcase their talents.

Since the day I joined ICFAI University, I have learnt many things apart from my studies which has developed and helped me immensely both mentally and physically. As far as education is concerned it stands as one of the best amongst other colleges in Nagaland which impart not only quality education but also help to develop the personality of a student.

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## A New Beginning at ICFAI

Mr. Tongpang, M.A. (Pol. Sc.) 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

**“Wow!!! The infrastructure looks cool and promising.”** I believe that’s what everyone thought the moment they entered the campus of the ICFAI University Nagaland. Well yes, it is, and the promising plans and projects are something to look out for in the coming years.

It’s been about four months to be precise, since I have joined this institution, yet the experience that I am having is overwhelming and I am definitely looking forward for more, as the saying goes, “Experience is the father of wisdom.”

For a guy who hasn’t experienced the semester system, it is challenging and demanding - late night preparations, every bit of effort to make the assignment, presentation, etc. stand out from my fellow students is mentally demanding but I love the fact that it keeps me busy and occupied.

It was quite intriguing for me initially as the name ICFAI itself stands for Management and the incorporation of Social Sciences & Arts under its wing was like a jigsaw puzzle. Many might have raised the same question; why Management and Social Science? But well, why not something new, make it work and go hand in hand. With that assumption I completed the puzzle.

With two completely different streams, I see a healthy and productive air of competition in the campus. And the beauty is that we stand united instead of the differences. The extra curricular activities playing a great role in blending the two streams reminds me of OZ FEST. The success of the fest is the best example I can give on how two different streams can blend and work together.

The teaching faculty of our university is also worth being proud of, especially those in my assigned subject - witty, fun, friendly and well-equipped; you name it, they got it.

Earlier, students just had Nagaland University as the only avenue for higher studies, however ICFAI University has given an option for the students to make a choice, for which I am grateful. The authorities have to be lauded for their commendable efforts.

I hope ICFAI will provide the spirit of competition to drive us to excellence and make us dare to dream, to strive towards betterment. As in the words of Rabindranath Tagore, “Dream is not what you see in your sleep, dream is something that doesn’t make you sleep.”

*P.S.: The hygienic environment here is remarkable, all thanks to caretakers and from a self-proclaimed food critic, canteen’s food is good but there is still room to make it awesome.*

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