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Inter-IIT to introduce two new sports: Mafia & WWE Trump Cards
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Puzzle Competition
Identify all well-known characters in the queue and win *big* prizes
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Enough of The News
Let's just waste this space blabbering about something useless. Who wants news anyway!
All Over This Page!

IITB, as a part of Golden Jubilee Celebrations, has decided to replace the placement process with the first of its kind Place Men Process: a unique dating initiative by which colleges from across the length and breadth of the country will visit IITB to find matches for their students from among the country's brightest.

The colleges will be allotted slots according to a rating system based on the "quality" of students as perceived by a typical IITian.

The Place Men Procedure:

1. Résumé (Profile) submission along with photo and horoscope.
2. Group Discussion
3. Personal Interview (PI)
4. Very Personal Interview (VPI)

Hot tips from the Profile Building Workshop by St. Xavier's, Mumbai-
1. Academic performance can be mentioned, in case of a gross lack of points.
2. "Positions" of responsibility should be highlighted.

Tentative Schedule	
14 Feb :	Slot 1- St Xavier's, Mumbai
	Slot 2- St Stephen's, Delhi
	Slot 3- Jai Hind College, Mumbai
15 Feb :	Slot 1- HR College, Mumbai
	... and finally ...
14 Nov :	Slot 1- IITD
	Slot 2- IITB
	Slot 3- IITR
	Waiting list : IITM, IITG, IITK, IITKGP

3. PT (Practical Training) will have much importance.
4. You can lie...but not in your résumé.

The process will be controlled by the Institute Place Men Team (IPT) with representatives from every department. Here is what the head of IPT, Panditji, had to say, "The process aims at fulfilling the ultimate goal of every IITian by bypassing the middle-stage of placements." The IPT also wants candidates to note that in horoscope matters requiring divine intervention, all decisions taken by the IPT official astrologer will be final.

We wish the Team all the best.

The Place BO effect

That 07's Show

A bored eye's view of the greatest (in IITB, at any rate) events of 2007

5. The Pink Slip

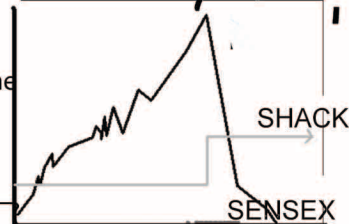
The Swimming Pool area was repainted for Inter IIT - Pink. Bright Pink. A highly placed official revealed that it was meant to get more girls to join IITB

4. Animal Wars Episode VI: Return of the Panther

Everyone's favourite felines reared their ugly heads again; prompting the dispatch of a certain e-mail to all residents of IITB that had everyone in splits. A sample: "Do not rear livestock such as cows, goat and fowls, as they attract panther"

3. Rise in Shack prices causes global financial consternation and subprime mortgage crisis

2. The End of an Era



In Loving Memory of Sujata Palace

who passed away sometime during the summers

The demise will be mourned by one and all including, but not limited to Bey Jaan Daruwala, P. K. Daruwala Sharaab Ganguly, Syed Biryani

May the soul rest in peace

1. Guess what. Nothing else matters

TWAIN: A Mobile-Phone Alarm Activated Automated Teeth-Brusher-cum-Shaver

Who: Ashish Agarwal, a second-year student from Kota who cracked first place in Yantriki in his first year, and then almost received 4 XXs last semester.

What: For almost a year, Ashish has been reaching class late due to over sleeping his alarm. On building a statistical model of his activities between the alarm and his reaching class and then solving a quadratic program, he concluded that the optimal solution would be if someone could brush his teeth and give him a shave while asleep; and set out to build his robot.

Features: Ashish's robot has many advanced features including nano-scale

microscopic sensors on the tooth-brush bristles that first scan the teeth surfaces and then apply advanced real-time pattern-matching algorithms to compute the spatial bacterial density function and control the time varying position and vibrational velocity of the robotic-arm controlling the brush, to minimize the expected bacterial concentration remaining after a fixed amount of time spent in brushing. Surprisingly, the exact same algorithm also minimizes the sum total length of all facial hairs remaining unshaven after a fixed amount of time.

Meanwhile, Ashish's neighbour, Abhishek Agarwal (a final year student)

has already written out a business plan, submitted it to all business-plan competitions in Asia and secretly formed a company (whose details are available in the uncensored, unrated and uncut version of this report on gymkhana.iitb.ac.in/~insight/leisure).

Fast Forward: The institute is considering banning the device within the IIT campus for a few months, since a majority of the students turning up on time with sparkling teeth and clean-shaven faces every morning may be too much of a shock for many of the TAs and faculty to digest immediately.

TWAIN expands to Technology Without An Interesting Name

MI + Techfest : 2027

Student festivals don't seem to be getting any smaller. We recently had the good fortune of meeting the Publicity Manager of My Techfest 2027. She told us that, in the future, MI and Techfest have combined to a month long techno-cultural extravaganza (hence the name). She had travelled back in time to publicize the event twenty years in advance! She left behind a publicity brochure. Here are a few extracts:

1. Welcome to the grand-daddy of all Lecture Series. My Techfest '27 gives you the opportunity to interact with one of the greatest philosophers of our time - GOD. Yes, a once in a lifetime opportunity to have a telepathic conference with God. Simultaneous transmission at OAT and Devi Temple, 25th December, 7 PM onwards.

2. Hierarchy: My Techfest follows a simple 27 tier hierarchical system. Starting at the top with God,

(who else?) and working one's way down, one encounters such important officials as the By Internal Nepotism, Departmental Assistant Superlative Sub Core Group member - Day One (BINDASSCGDO).

3. Footfalls: MI Techfest '27 is expected to have around 200 billion footfalls. This is quite surprising, since the population of the world is only 20 billion.

To calculate number of footfalls

No. of footfalls = Nx
Where, N: Actual number of footfalls
x: a number
After this, multiply the number of footfalls by 10, and quote in all further communications

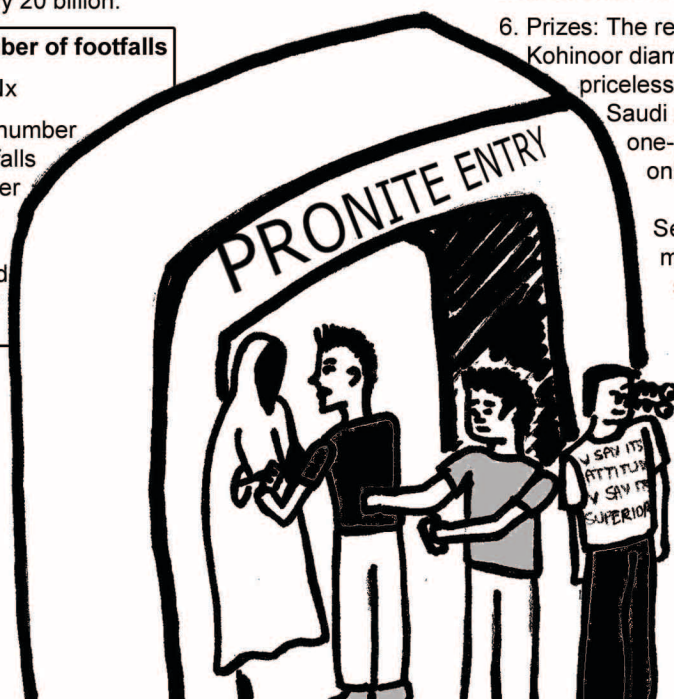
4. Workforce: All students of IITB in '27 are de facto members of the My Techfest workforce, as are all living alumni. We also recruit through the JEE

5. Attractions: Thermocouple is a couple dance workshop where one of the dancers must be hot, and the other must be a robot.

Silicon Age is a display of prehistoric technological artifacts such as the PC, the iPod and the automobile

6. Prizes: The record budget (equivalent to 600 Kohinoor diamonds) has allowed us to give away priceless prizes, including a date courtesy our Saudi Arabian sponsor Al Mond, a ten-night-one-day trip to Antarctica (seasonal offer only) and a cellphone number

See you at the all team meet at 12 midnight, 31st October 2027 - iff you're still alive.



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