



# JHEASA Higher Ed News

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## News from JHEASA member institutions

### Annual JHEASA Conference 2025 (AJC 2025)

The AJC 2025 was a success story, meticulously planned and executed. Conference theme was **Reimagining & Restructuring Jesuit Higher Education in South Asia**. Conference objectives were to **review** the state of mission of education in Jesuit Higher Education Institutions in South Asia in the light of De Societatis Iesu 2023 and in the context of education policies. To **discern** the prompting of the Spirit in the process of reimagining and restructuring Jesuit higher education in responding to new policies and regulations by statutory authorities more effectively and collectively by increasing efforts in zonal collaboration and networking. To **find ways** of enhancing organizational leadership in the Ignatian ways with partners in mission in our Higher Education Institutions that **demonstrate Jesuit identity and mission of Higher Education Institutions in South Asia**



### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dear All. This is to inform you that at the last session we have decided to hold the **Annual JHEASA Conference 2026 in Mumbai at St Xavier's on 26-28 January 2026**

With all good wishes to the Mumbaikars and my sincere thanks to Ranchikars.

Joe Arun SJ  
CSHE

### Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Events

#### February 15, 2025. **Convocation**

6th Convocation Ceremony of St. Xavier's University, Kolkata.  
<https://www.sxuk.edu.in/images/flyer/Convocation-2025.jpg>

#### February 24 - 1 March, 2025. **Workshop**

Join the All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) - Sponsored one-week Offline ATAL FDP!

Topic: Logistics and Circular Economy.

Loyola Institute of Business Administration (LIBA)

<https://www.facebook.com/share/VtNYsyNmHAtAp2b/>

#### February 6 - 7, 2025. **Conference**

9th Annual Research on Cities Summit (ARCS 9.0) Sustainable Urban Futures: Policy, Planning, Management A Multi-Disciplinary International Conference School of Human Settlements

XIM University, SoHS

<https://shs.xim.edu.in/news-events/arcs-9-0/>

#### February 7 - 8, 2025.



North Zone

## New Campus Inauguration

Another milestone achieved. On 10th January 2025, the **inauguration ceremony of the New Campus** at Matigara took place, **North Bengal St Xavier's College's** second campus was inaugurated and dedicated. With this expansion, the college aims to strengthen its academic presence in the region. "The institution is planning to introduce career-oriented programs that align with industry requirements," said Fr Lalit P. Tirkey, the principal. <https://www.telegraphindia.com/west-bengal/north-bengal-st-xaviers-colleges-second-campus-launched/cid/2076850>



## Committed to Social Outreach and Community Development

St. Xavier's University, Kolkata (**SXUK**) celebrated Sishu Mela at the university campus. This is an **annual flagship event** organised by the Centre for Social Outreach Programme (**CSOP**) of **SXUK**. The objective is to **empower** these **children** through activities that **stimulate cognitive development**, encourage them to showcase their talents, and make them feel like a part of the Xavier family. The event witnessed the participation of 174 underprivileged children from the neighboring villages. Sishu Mela reaffirmed the university's **commitment to social outreach and community development**. [https://www.sxuk.edu.in/sxuk\\_news#sxuk\\_news\\_216](https://www.sxuk.edu.in/sxuk_news#sxuk_news_216)

Central Zone

## A Collaborative Mission

### Conference

International Conference on Sustainability and AI in a VUCA World  
SXC, Jaipur.  
<https://sxcjpr.edu.in/news/event/international-conference-on-sustainability-and-ai-in-a-vuca-world-an-interdisciplinary-approach-towards-viksit-bharat-on-7-8-february-2025/>

### March 6 - 7, 2025.

#### Conference

International Conference on Statistics and Data Analytics ICSDA 2025.  
Loyola College, Chennai.  
[https://www.loyolacollege.edu/updates/invites/ICSDA\\_2025.html](https://www.loyolacollege.edu/updates/invites/ICSDA_2025.html)

### March 21 - 22, 2025.

#### Conference

Sustainable Development: Creating a Unified Foundation with Research and Practice.  
[https://www.sxuk.edu.in/International\\_Conference\\_2025](https://www.sxuk.edu.in/International_Conference_2025)  
St. Xavier's University, Kolkata.  
Organised by Father Lafont Centre for Excellence in Research and Innovation (LCERI) with support of St. Xavier's University Kolkata Alumni Association.

### June 30 - July 3, 2025.

#### Assembly

Jesuit Higher Education Assembly 2025 (IAJU Assembly).  
Host: Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogota, Colombia.  
The assembly will begin on 30th June afternoon with an inaugural mass \*further information to come.  
<https://iaju.org/events/>

## Evaluating Reflective Technology – An Ignatian Perspective

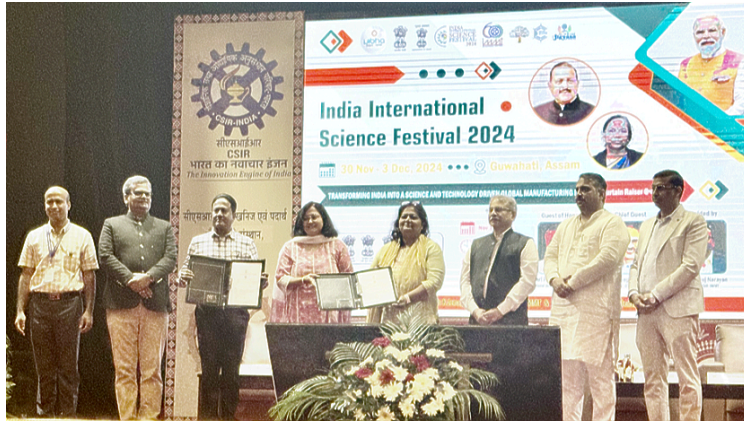
Reflective Technology leads to the **finding of God in all things**: that all the objects dealt with are God's blessings, and that God dwells in those objects, and that he not merely exists in them but that in them he is working for me, and that everything, even "justice, goodness, mercy, etc., descend from above as the rays of light descend from above, and as the waters flow from their fountains."

Fr. Dr. John Rose S.J

**School of Sustainability, XIM University** Signs MoU with **CSIR-Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology (IMMT)**, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Ministry of Science and Technology. This collaboration is a step forward in our mission to advance **sustainability through cutting-edge research and innovative solutions**. Together, we aim to create a transformative impact in the fields of environment, technology, and sustainable development.

Towards a future of impactful collaborations and groundbreaking achievements.

<https://sos.xim.edu.in/mou-with-csir-immt/>



Director, Xavier's Institute of Engineering, Mahim  
Click below link to read more  
[https://ww2.sxie.info/xjep-open-access-journal/xjep-vol-3-issue-1/xjep-vol-3-issue-1\\_additional#h.kkq9k5ptun1](https://ww2.sxie.info/xjep-open-access-journal/xjep-vol-3-issue-1/xjep-vol-3-issue-1_additional#h.kkq9k5ptun1)

### Featured Institution

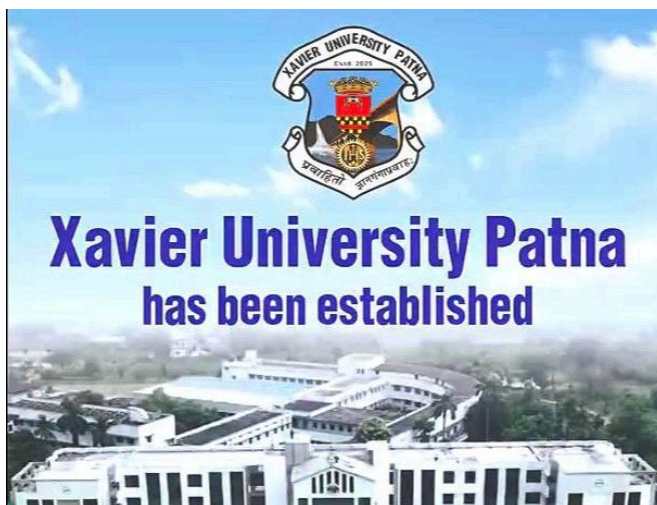
Indian Social Institute (New Delhi & Bangalore)



### Establishment of Xavier University, Patna

It is a great pleasure for us to announce an exciting milestone in our history: **establishment of Xavier University Patna**. This is a momentous occasion, not only for our institution but also for the broader community. Xavier University will provide modern and market relevant curriculum for the benefit of the youth of Bihar. The management, professors and students at St. Xavier's College of Management & Technology thanks the Government and people of Bihar for their continuous faith and support in bringing **quality education and holistic development of the youth of Bihar**.

<https://fb.watch/x8rZ-VPQLL/>



The **Indian Social Institute (ISI)** was founded in **1951 by Fr. Jerome D'Souza a Jesuit Priest**, educationist, remarkably active in the civil society of the days of Independence. He had mediated between the Vatican and Nehru about ending Portuguese control over Indian churches. He was a member of the Indian Constituent Assembly and four times India's delegate to the United Nation's General Assembly. A man committed to **political action, social concerns, national welfare**.

<https://isidelihi.org.in/social-action/>

<https://isibangalore.com/>

### Featured Institution

St. Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous) (West Zone)



West Zone

JHEASA West Zone's one-day workshop

XIE hosted the **JHEASA-West Zone's one-day workshop on "AI tools for Academics"**. This intensive hands-on workshop was conducted for teachers of the **JHEASA-West Zone institutes** and was modelled on the on the current needs of teachers on Artificial Intelligence tools for teaching and research, curriculum designing and for creative writing. This innovative workshop was coordinated by Dr. Ninad More, Head of the CSE department; and Dr. Vini Sebastian, Deputy Coordinator JHEASA West-Zone under the guidance of Director of XIE, Fr. Dr. John Rose SJ; and Principal of XIE, Dr. Y. D. Venkatesh.



**St.Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous)** is the oldest Government aided, Christian minority Teacher Education College for the course (B.Ed., and Ph.D.) affiliated to the University of Mumbai and recognized by the National Council for Teacher Education (N.C.T.E.). Besides, it has various courses and extension services for students, teachers and the society. St.Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous) is a Christian minority College, established and administered by the **Jesuit Mumbai Province of the Society of Jesus**.  
<https://ww2.sxie.info/>

## A Workshop for Jesuit Archivists in South Asia

Xavier Centre of Historical Research, Goa  
**Archives are "places of memory."** In the Society of Jesus they constitute a rich patrimony since its very beginnings, while also contributing to the successive spread of its global mission. Apart from crystallising the **Society's foundational experience**, its historical archives also become sites of interpreting this experience across time and contexts. The Archive in Jesuit history thus represents the fount of Jesuit experience lived across generations of Jesuits, but also instrumentalised in its governmental practices.  
<https://xchr.substack.com/p/the-archive-in-jesuit-history>



## South Zone

### Fostering Ethical Commerce and Sustainability

SJIM, Bangalore  
 At **SJIM**, we remain committed to promoting values-driven education and thought leadership that inspires positive change. Dr Ravi Darshini, faculty of finance at St. Joseph's Institute of Management (SJIM) delivered the keynote address at the National Conference on "**Ethical Commerce: Sustainability and Social Impact in the Financial Market Place.**" This event served as a dynamic platform for exploring the vital intersection of ethics, sustainability, and social impact within the ever-evolving financial marketplace. The address highlighted the growing importance of **integrating ethical practices** into **commerce** to achieve long-term sustainability and meaningful social change. It also underscored the critical role of education and collaboration in **shaping a financial ecosystem** that prioritizes responsibility and impact.  
<https://www.sjim.edu.in/BusinessAnalyticsConclave2025.php>



### Unleashing the Power of Generative AI and BA

SJIM, Bangalore  
 St. Joseph's Institute of Management hosted the **Business Analytics Conclave 2025** under the title "Redefining Possibilities: Generative AI's Role in Shaping the Future of Business Analytics." The event brought together industry leaders and AI experts to



explore the **transformative impact of AI on business analytics**. The event also showcased innovative Capstone Project Presentations by second-year students, covering real-world applications such as Retail Pharmacy optimization, IPO trends, and Hedging Strategies.

<https://www.sjim.edu.in/BusinessAnalyticsConclave2025.php>



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