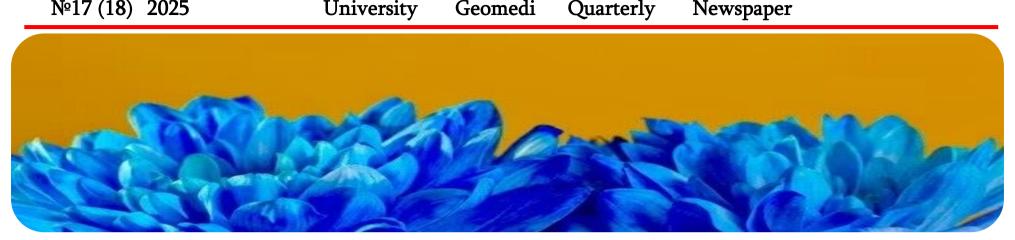
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## Dear ladies!

Congratulations on March 3 - Mother's Day and March 8 -International Women's Day. Wish you health, love, happiness, career success, self-realization, fun and peaceful life...





Holi also known as the "Festival of Love", the "Festival of Colours" and the "Festival of Spring" is a popular ancient festival. This vibrant festival marks the end of winter and the beginning of spring, symbolic of the triumph of good over evil. Holi is celebrated in March. In 2025, Holi begins March 14.

On the eve of the festival, People throw wood, dried leaves, and twigs into bonfires to signify the burning of evil spirits.

On the day of Holi, entire streets and towns turn red, green, and yellow as people throw colored powder into the air and splash them on others. Each color carries a meaning. Red, for example, symbolizes

love and fertility while green stands for new beginnings. Later in the day, families gather together for festive meals. It is also common to distribute sweets among neighbors and friends.

Holi is an Indian religious festival that has also become popular outside of India.



Another stream of students of the onelevel educational English-language program of the Faculty of Medicine completed their studies. Professors, dean of the faculty of Medicine and head of the program also congratulated the graduates. The ceremony ended with the cutting of the ceremonial cake and throwing of hats.

"I feel incredibly grateful to have been a part of the University Geomedi, Faculty of Medicine. My journey here has been a beautiful blend of academic excellence, personal growth, and cherished memories. The guidance and support from the lecturers and administration staff have played a vital role in shaping my medical career, and I sincerely thank them for their dedication. I also appreciate the library staff for always being helpful and ensuring we had access to the best resources. Geomedi has given me not only knowledge but also lifelong friendships and unforgettable experiences. I wish the best to all current and future students — may your journey be as rewarding as mine".

Ahmed Shifaz - Graduate of Faculty of Medicine

Within the framework of the I2Q project, the third International Excellence School took place aimed at promoting the internationalization of higher education in Georgia. The event was attended by the Vice-rector for Academic Affairs, Aleksandre Loladze.

The event was organized by University College London. The third International Excellence School focused on Intellectual Property (IP) rights in the field of Higher Education. The event lasted three days and was attended by young scientists and researchers. Participants enhanced their understanding of patents, trademarks, and copyrights through workshops, simulation activities, case analyses, and group work.



The main objective of these activities is to strengthen research capabilities in Georgian universities and improve the quality of their research structures, processes, and results.

## Survival Guide '25: A Resounding Success at Geomedi



The Students' Academic Society (SAS) at University Geomedi successfully hosted Survival Guide '25: Med School Edition on January 17, 2025, offering an engaging platform for medical students to gain valuable insights into excelling in their academic and professional journeys.

The event featured an impressive lineup of speakers, including Guncha Shaikh, Nithya Vinod Meempat, Rishmita Sachin Thakur, Shifaz Ahmed, Ishika Goel, Syed Javeed Ahmed, and Dr. Sanjeev Menon who is a distinguished alumnus and practicing physician. Each speaker shared their expertise on essential topics such as effective study strategies, research opportunities, networking, leadership, and self-care.

Attendees benefited from real-life experiences, practical tips, and motivational stories that shed light on the challenges and triumphs of medical school. Dr. Menon's session on postgraduate pathways provided a particularly insightful glimpse into life beyond medical school, equipping students with the knowledge to plan for their future careers.

Survival Guide '25 proved to be an inspiring and enriching experience, reaffirming SAS's commitment to supporting and guiding the next generation of medical professionals.

## Medlink Society: Virtual Connections; Real Impact

Medlink Society, Founded in 2024 by Ritika Bhatia, continues to help students improve their research and communication skills and develop a new generation of medical professionals.

The volunteers banded together for Breast Cancer awareness.

Medlink Society hosted a webinar led by Dr. Parnita Kesari, a graduate of the University of Geomedi, who shared valuable insights on early detection, prevention, and advancements in breast cancer care. The participants were awarded certificates.

Another graduate, Dr. Shraddha Jadhav, conducted a webinar titled "Connect, Communicate and Conquer", which aimed to improve participants' communication skills. After a productive session, the participants were awarded certificates.



One interesting orientation meeting was

dedicated to incoming students. Introducing them to society's mission.

On January 15, an abstract writing event took place, titled "A Breathless Journey: Understanding Tuberculosis". Participants presented abstracts based on their research. After careful discussion and evaluation, the three submissions were identified: Kavish Tarak Arolkar, Maitriben Hemendrasinh Vansia, and Varsha Jitendra Yadav, who presented compelling overviews of their work.

As the Medlink Society completed its first year of operation, interviews were conducted to select members of the new Executive Committee. After an open competition and a thorough evaluation process, assisted by Ms. Ekaterine Buadze, the following members were selected:

- President: Abdul Gufran

- Vice President: Tanushi Chugh

- Secretary: Ikram Shaikh

- Secretary: Sanjeevini

- Content Creator: Sharwari Kadam.

They are ready to continue and fulfill the mission of Medlink Society.

Interested students can contact via email at: <a href="medlink@geomedi.edu.ge">medlink@geomedi.edu.ge</a> or via Instagram: @Medlink\_Geomedi.



World Down Syndrome Day is celebrated on 21 March every year in many countries of the world, including Georgia. It is a global awareness day which has been officially observed by the United Nations since 2012. The goal is to help people understand and support those with Down syndrome better.

On this day, various events and activities are held to raise awareness and support for Down syndrome. The tradition of Lots of Socks is associated with this day, the purpose of which is to express mass solidarity in an original way.



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