

IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

CSR CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY TECH MAHINDRA LTD TO MAHINDRA EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

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Report

To,

The Board of Directors,

Mahindra Educational Institutions,

Hyderabad.

Subject: Submission of CSR Impact Assessment Report for FY 2024–25

Dear Sir/Madam.

I am pleased to submit herewith the Impact Assessment Report relating to the CSR contributions made by Tech Mahindra Limited to Mahindra Educational Institutions (MEI) for the financial year 2024-25.

This assignment was undertaken in accordance with the mandate received from your good office, with the objective of evaluating both the tangible and intangible outcomes resulting from the CSR funding extended towards higher education infrastructure and allied initiatives implemented through MEI/Mahindra University.

Scope of work

The assessment was conducted with the following key objectives to:

- Verify the deployment and end-use of CSR funds contributed by Tech Mahindra to MEI.
- Evaluate the overall outcomes and effectiveness of CSR initiatives during FY 2024-25
- Assess alignment of impact with the CSR vision and objectives of Tech Mahindra.
- Suggest high-level areas for improvement, if any, for ongoing and future initiatives.

Key limitations

- The report is based on documentation and information made available by the management of MEI, and no independent financial or statutory audit has been conducted as part of this assignment.
- Time constraints limited our ability to conduct direct interactions with faculty members and students, hence beneficiary-level insights were drawn primarily from secondary interactions and internal stakeholders.
- The findings are intended to provide a qualitative and directional view, and do not represent an audit opinion or assurance engagement under professional auditing standards.

I am herewith enclosing the executive summary and detailed report for your perusal. I trust that this report will serve as a useful input in evaluating the effectiveness of your CSR contributions and support informed decision-making for future initiatives.

Thank you for the opportunity to be associated with this important initiative.

M.No. 221885

Yours faithfully,

For M. Surya Kiran & Co.,

Chartered Accountants

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Chartered Accountant

Membership No.: 221885

Date: April 16, 2025

Place: Hyderabad

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Background:

Tech Mahindra Limited (TechM) is a prominent global Information, Communications, and Technology (ICT) company based in India, renowned for providing innovative solutions and services to a diverse range of international clients, including Fortune 500 companies. Mahindra Educational Institutions (MEI), established by TechM as a not-for-profit subsidiary, is dedicated to fostering education, research, innovation, and technological development. Under MEI, Mahindra University (MU) was founded to offer diverse educational programs across various academic fields, reflecting a strong interdisciplinary approach and rapidly expanding infrastructure, significantly supported by TechM's corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

Summary of CSR Objectives:

Tech Mahindra's CSR vision, encapsulated as "Empowerment through Education," highlights several strategic objectives:

- Demonstrate commitment to societal welfare through ethical business practices, responsible governance, and transparency.
- Actively support sustainable development initiatives aligned with national and regional development agendas.
- Establish and uphold exceptional standards and replicable models for delivering high-quality educational and social services.
- Foster a culture of empathy, equity, and social responsibility among employees, encouraging active participation in community development.



The specific areas of focus for TechM's CSR activities encompass educational enhancement, improving employability through skill development, advancing technical education, and promoting inclusive opportunities for underserved and marginalized communities.

Contributions received:

During the year, MEL received ₹ 74.93 Crores from Tech Mahindra Limited.

Key tangible impacts:

- Infrastructure enhancement: A significant investment totaling ₹ 74.93 Crores has been directed towards developing advanced facilities at Mahindra University. These include construction and enhancement of hostels, refurbishment works for classrooms, BT labs, computer labs, Guesthouse, and ECSE academic Infrastructure like labs and office spaces etc.
- Improved access to quality education: A pronounced positive impact has been observed in terms of accessibility and quality of higher and technical education, benefiting numerous students from diverse socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Scholarships and financial aid: Over 450+ meritorious students, including a
 specific focus on girl students and students from the Northeastern states, have
 received scholarships, considerably broadening their educational opportunities.
- Increased placement opportunities: Enhanced infrastructure and educational
 quality have led to increased placements of MU students in renowned national and
 international corporations, underscoring the effectiveness of TechM's CSR
 educational initiatives.



• Innovation and research: Significant growth in research output and innovationyear, highlighting MU's rising prominence as a research-focused educational institution.

Key intangible impacts:

- Elevated social awareness: TechM's CSR initiatives have fostered greater community awareness and responsiveness towards sustainable development, environmental stewardship, and the importance of educational excellence.
- Enhanced brand equity: The initiatives have effectively strengthened the brand reputation of Mahindra, positioning it beyond corporate identity into a leading educational and innovative institution, positively influencing societal perceptions.
- Institutional reputation: Mahindra University's enhanced academic quality and innovation have significantly contributed to the improved public image of Tech Mahindra, reinforcing its identity as a socially responsible corporate entity.

Highlighted key findings and recommendations:

- Positive stakeholder reception: CSR projects undertaken by Tech Mahindra are highly impactful and have been met with strong positive feedback from various stakeholders, including students, faculty, and community members.
- Tangible educational outcomes: The strategic investment in infrastructure and educational programs has substantially enhanced student outcomes, institutional growth, and overall educational quality.
- Areas for improvement: Attention is required in streamlining administrative processes, maintenance, and sustainable management of developed infrastructure to ensure long-term operational efficiency and sustainability.



Limitations of the assessment

- **Time constraints:** The entire assignment was executed within a tight timeline; thus, comprehensive field validation or prolonged qualitative engagement was limited.
- Stakeholder coverage: The study could not include direct interviews with students
 and faculty due to scheduling and access constraints. Hence, stakeholder voice
 representation is not fully inclusive.
- Reliance on secondary data: A significant portion of the report is based on data
 and documentation provided by MU and MEI without independent audit or
 verification. No forensic or financial audit was conducted by me.
- Non-financial metrics estimation: Tangible impact (e.g., improved student access)
 was assessed, but longitudinal tracking of educational quality or alumni
 performance is outside the scope.



DETAILED REPORT

1.1 Background

Brief Overview of Tech Mahindra & Its CSR Policy:

Tech Mahindra Limited (TechM) is a global leader in the Information, Communications, and Technology (ICT) sector, known for delivering innovative and impactful solutions to a diverse set of international clients, including Fortune 500 companies. Recognizing its role as a responsible corporate citizen, Tech Mahindra places strong emphasis on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), anchored by its guiding vision of "Empowerment through Education." This CSR framework demonstrates the company's commitment to ethical practices, sustainable growth, quality educational initiatives, and fostering a culture of empathy and social responsibility within its workforce and community.

Introduction to Mahindra University and MEI:

Mahindra Educational Institutions (MEI), established as a not-for-profit subsidiary of Tech Mahindra, reflects the organization's deep-rooted belief in the transformative power of education. MEI's flagship initiative, Mahindra University (MU), was founded with the mission of becoming a distinguished educational institution, providing quality education, pioneering research, innovation, and technological advancement. MU is committed to nurturing talent through interdisciplinary programs, innovative teaching methodologies, and practical skill development, significantly supported by Tech Mahindra's strategic CSR contributions.



Historical and Current Context:

MEI's journey began in 2014 with the establishment of Mahindra École Centrale (MEC), in collaboration with the prestigious École Centrale Paris. Over the years, MEC evolved and expanded into what is now Mahindra University in 2020, marking a significant milestone in its journey. This evolution represents a strategic growth focused on developing comprehensive educational programs spanning multiple disciplines, including Engineering, Management, Law, Education, and Design & Hospitality management. Presently, Mahindra University continues its trajectory of rapid growth, enhancing its infrastructure, expanding research capabilities, and broadening its academic offerings, bolstered by ongoing support from Tech Mahindra's dedicated CSR initiatives.

1.2 Purpose of the Report

Objectives and Scope:

The primary objective of this report is to assess the impact of CSR contributions provided by Tech Mahindra Limited to Mahindra Educational Institutions during the fiscal year 2024-25. Specifically, this report aims to:

- Evaluate the tangible and intangible outcomes resulting from Tech Mahindra's CSR contributions.
- Verify the effective utilization of CSR funds by MEI.
- Assess the alignment of outcomes with the stated CSR objectives of Tech Mahindra.
- Provide strategic recommendations for potential improvements or course corrections in ongoing CSR initiatives.



Assessment period:

The scope of this report exclusively covers the financial year 2024-25, delivering a thorough evaluation of Tech Mahindra's CSR investments and their tangible and intangible impacts during this period.

2: Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Framework at Tech Mahindra

2.1 Legal background (Companies Act, 2013)

CSR framework in India is guided by Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013. Law mandates specific obligations for companies based on their financial performance. Under these provisions:

- Companies are required to spend at least 2% of their average net profits from the preceding three financial years on eligible CSR activities.
- Companies must establish a dedicated CSR Committee composed of a minimum of three directors, one of whom must be an independent director.
- The CSR Committee is responsible for formulating and recommending CSR policies, as well as monitoring and reporting on their implementation.
- Companies must include a comprehensive disclosure of their CSR policy, initiatives, and expenditure in their annual reports.

Mandatory CSR Spending requirements:

Criteria	Threshold	
Net worth	₹ 500 crore or more	
Annual turnover	₹ 1000 crore or more	



2.2 Tech Mahindra's CSR Philosophy

Tech Mahindra's CSR philosophy is succinctly captured by the vision: "Empowerment through Education." The core belief underlying this philosophy is that quality education and skill development are powerful tools for driving sustainable and inclusive social change.

Objectives of Tech Mahindra's CSR Initiatives:

- To conduct business ethically and responsibly, emphasizing transparent governance practices.
- To actively support and align with the nation's sustainable development goals and broader social initiatives.
- To maintain excellence in the delivery of educational and social sector programs by establishing scalable and replicable models.
- To cultivate a compassionate corporate culture, motivating employees to engage proactively in community service.

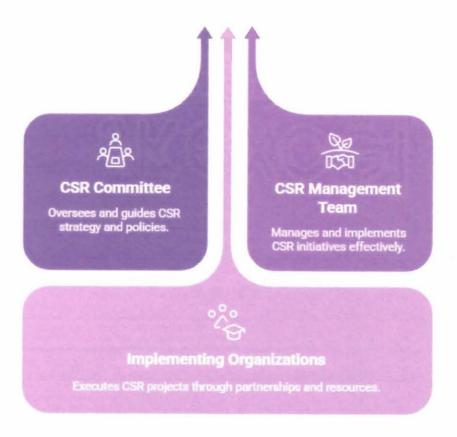
Primary focus areas:

- School education: Enhancing access and quality in school education through capacity building and educational support programs.
- Employability and skill development: Providing market-oriented training and employment opportunities to youth, particularly those from underserved communities.
- Technical education: Establishing institutions of higher learning and fostering research and development collaborations to advance technical education standards.

 Empowerment of marginalized communities: Focusing initiatives on the upliftment and empowerment of women, differently abled individuals, and economically disadvantaged groups.

2.3 Governance & Management

CSR Governance Structure at Tech Mahindra:





Governing Body of Mahindra University:

Name	Role	Designation
Mr. Anand Mahindra	Chairman	Chancellor (Chairman)
Dr. Yogita Rana (IAS)	Member	Principal Secretary (Higher Education) Govt. of Telangana
Ms. Shobana Kamineni	Member	Promoter Director, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Limited & Executive Chairperson, Apollo Health Co Ltd and Apollo Pharmacies Ltd
Mr. Ranjan Pant	Member	CEO Advisor, Ex Bain
Ms. Krishna Kumari Palle	Member	Vice President, Delivery and Operations Head - EMEA
Dr. Yajulu Medury	Member	Vice Chancellor, Mahindra University
Col Rajive Chauhan	Non-Member Secretary	Registrar, Mahindra University
Mr. CP Gurnani	Special Invitee	Former CEO & MD, Tech Mahindra Ltd.



Board of Management of Mahindra University:

Name	Position
Dr. Yajulu Medury	Chairman
Mr. CP Gurnani	Member
Dr. Anish Shah	Member
Mr. Mohit Joshi	Member
Ms. Anuja Mahindra Sharma	Member
Dr. Mukti Khaire	Member
Mr. Zhooben Bhiwandiwala	Member
Mr. Ulhas Yargop	Member
Mr. MM Murugappan	Member
Mr. Alok Kshirsagar	Member
Mr. Harshvendra Soin	Member
Mr. Shivanand Raja	Special Invitee
Mr. Milind Kulkarni	Special Invitee
Dr. Bishnu Pal	Member
Dr. Arya Kumar Bhattacharya	Member
Dr. Anadi Pande	Member
Dr. Rajinder Chauhan	Member
Dr. Srinivasa Rao Srungarapu	Member
Dr. Shashi Nanjundaiah	Member
Dr. Battula Kalyana Chakravarthy	Member
Dr. Thirugnanasambantham K	Member

3: Methodology & Approach

3.1 Methodology overview

To thoroughly assess the impact of Tech Mahindra's CSR initiatives, a mixed-method approach combining both quantitative and qualitative techniques was employed. This method enabled a comprehensive evaluation by providing both statistical data and in-depth insights.

Assessment method:

- Quantitative analysis: Review of expenditure data, infrastructure development details, student admissions, and placements.
- Qualitative analysis: Stakeholder interviews, focus groups, site visits, and in-depth discussions.

Steps involved:

- 1. Identification and collection of primary and secondary data.
- Conducting structured interviews and focus group discussions with key stakeholders.
- 3. Site visits to observe and verify infrastructure developments.
- Quantitative data analysis to measure tangible outcomes such as educational infrastructure and placements.
- 5. Qualitative analysis to understand intangible impacts, such as perceptions and experiences of stakeholders.
- 6. Consolidation and triangulation of data to ensure accuracy and comprehensiveness.
- 7. Development of insights and actionable recommendations.



3.2 Sources of data

The study drew from diverse and credible sources of information to ensure robust and reliable findings.

Primary data sources:

- Interviews with university administration (Vice Chancellor, Registrar, CFO).
- · Focus groups and discussions with faculty and staff.
- Direct observation and documentation during site visits.

Secondary data sources:

- Financial statements and expenditure reports provided by Mahindra Educational Institutions.
- · Academic records, student admission, and placement data.
- Patents and research documentation.
- Existing impact assessment reports and organizational documents.

Data collection process:

Data Collection and Analysis Process





3.3 Limitations of the Study

- Time constraints: Limited timeframe available for extensive fieldwork and stakeholder engagement.
- Data availability: Dependence on timely and accurate data provision by various departments.
- Scope of interviews: Interviews primarily conducted with administrative staff; limited direct engagement with students.
- **Depth of qualitative data:** Potential limitations in capturing nuanced qualitative insights due to time restrictions.

4: Detailed Impact Assessment

4.1 Qualitative impact

Methodology: The qualitative assessment involved detailed interviews, focus group discussions, and on-site observations. Emphasis was placed on understanding stakeholder experiences and perceptions related to CSR-funded initiatives.

Stakeholder interactions: In-depth interactions were held with university leadership, administrative staff, and faculty members to capture nuanced insights.

Interview excerpt:

"The new facilities provided by Tech Mahindra's CSR funds have significantly improved the learning environment. Students and faculty alike express greater satisfaction and motivation." – Registrar, Mahindra University.



Student profiles: During the 2024-25 academic year, MU saw diverse student enrollment, with increased participation from underrepresented regions, reflecting broader geographic outreach and inclusion.

Program outcomes:

- Enhanced engineering knowledge and analytical skills.
- Improved problem-solving and critical-thinking capabilities.
- · Increased awareness of societal, ethical, and environmental issues.
- Greater proficiency in teamwork and interdisciplinary collaborations.
- · Stronger communication and leadership skills.

UG Students admitted into University:

During the academic year 2024-25, Mahindra University (MU) successfully admitted a total of 1,962 students across undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs.

The consistent rise in enrollment reflects the university's growing appeal, marked by increased participation from diverse regions across India and a notable uptick in female student admissions. This positive trend underscores the expanding reach and influence of the Mahindra University brand. Importantly, the growing visibility of MU also reinforces the broader outreach of Tech Mahindra's brand, aligning seamlessly with the company's CSR vision of promoting inclusive and quality education.

The detailed breakdown of MU admissions is as follows:

Details	FY 2024-25
Total Admissions	1,962
Total Application Received	17,981
NRI Applications	194
Admissions North& East	97



NRI Admissions	94
Total number of Offers Made	5,141
Total Offers Accepted	2,371
Total Cancellations	409
Admitted Students Gender Diversity: (Boys : Girls)	57.14 : 42.86

Student enrolment: Academic year 2024

Programme	Туре	Count
B.Tech	UG	1014
M.Tech	PG	118
Ph. D (various departments)	PG	111
School of Management	UG	397
School of Law	UG	178
School of Law	PG	40
IMSoE	PG	21
Media	UG	48
Design	UG	35
Total	-	1,962

During the current year, the School of Design Innovation was launched offering an undergraduate program in design.



Programme-wise details: PG & Ph. D

Programme	Туре	Count
M.Tech	PG	118
3 Years Hons	PG	40
MA Education	PG	21
Ph.D Engineering	Ph.D	68
Ph.D Business Management	Ph.D	12
Ph.D Law	Ph.D	15
Ph.D Education	Ph.D	8
Ph.D Design	Ph.D	4
Ph.D Media	Ph.D	4
Total	-	290

Programme-wise details: UG

Programme	Count
Computer Science and Engineering	239
Artificial Intelligence	188
Electronics and Computer Engineering	78
Electronics and Communication Engineering	91
Computational Biology	21
Civil Engineering	37
Bio-Technology	47
Mechatronics	33
Computation Mathematics	65



Mechanical Engineering	32
VLSI Design and Technology	28
Aerospace Engineering	29
Nano Technology	12
Electrical Engineering and E-Mobility	2
5 Year Integrated Bio-Technology	9
5 Year Integrated Computer Science and Engineering	103
BBA Digital Technologies	278
BBA Computational Business Analytics	64
BBA Applied Economics & Finance	55
BA,LLB Hons	59
BBA,LLB Hons	119
Bachelors program in Design	35
Bachelors program in Journalism and Mass Communication	18
B.Tech Computation and Media	30
Total	1,672

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Details of CSR funds utilized:

An amount of ₹ 74.93 Crores, was spent towards the following activities:

Project	Purpose
Hostel 2, Hostel 3, Hostel 4A, 4B	
Hostel 2	30 double occupancy rooms, roads, cafeteria etc.,
Hostel 3	180 Rooms double Occupancy
Guest House 30	Executive Rooms, BT labs in IT 2 Ground floor, Computer labs in IT2 first floor) (Partial Expenditure), IQAC, Chemistry lab, ERP office, civil Engineering lab, Admin area refurbishment works etc.

Amount spent on Research & Development activities

An amount of ₹3.66 crores has been spent towards Research and development activities during the current academic year.

CSR Contributions – direct beneficiaries:

Mahindra University graduates continue to be actively recruited by leading corporates across India—a testament to their well-rounded capabilities, technical proficiency, and readiness for the professional world. This consistent hiring pattern highlights the university's success in nurturing talent that meets, and often exceeds, industry expectations.

More than just a reflection of academic performance, this is a strong endorsement of the university's dynamic and forward-thinking curriculum. Designed in close alignment with real-world business needs, the programs at MU blend academic rigour with practical application, ensuring students are equipped not only with knowledge but with the skills to innovate, lead, and adapt in a rapidly evolving marketplace.

Additionally, the growing number of pre-placement offers, industry internships, and student achievements in national and international forums signal the deepening trust that employers place in the Mahindra University talent pool. It reinforces the institution's role as a pipeline for next-generation professionals and thought leaders.

Details of placements for academic year 2024:

Program	Students
Computer Science Engineering	162
Artificial intelligence	122
Electronics & Computer Engineering	28
Computation & Mathematics	12
Mechanical Engineering	6
Mechatronics	5
Nanotechnology	1
Civil Engineering	2
Total	338

It is pertinent to note that the above 338 students were placed across 105 companies, which is 112% higher as compared to the previous year.



CSR contributions – indirect beneficiaries

Beyond the direct impact on students, the CSR contributions made by Tech Mahindra Limited during the financial year 2023–24 have created a ripple effect benefiting a broader ecosystem of stakeholders. These indirect beneficiaries include, but are not limited to, the following groups:

- Faculty and Academic Staff: Enhanced teaching infrastructure and academic resources have empowered educators to deliver more effective and engaging instruction. As of the latest academic cycle, Mahindra University employs a total of 552 staff members, comprising 308 teaching faculty and 244 non-teaching personnel. This balanced workforce highlights the institution's commitment not only to delivering high-quality education through its academic staff but also to maintaining robust operational support systems through its dedicated non-teaching teams.
- Administrative and Support Staff: Investments in university operations and facilities have led to improved working conditions and increased efficiency.
- Third-party Vendors and Service Providers: Engagement in the construction, maintenance, and facility management projects supported by CSR funding has provided sustained employment and business opportunities to local vendors and contractors. As of the current reporting period, the university employs:
 - 209 housekeeping staff responsible for maintaining hygiene and cleanliness across the campus,
 - o 200 security personnel ensuring a safe and secure environment,
 - o 170 catering staff managing food services for students, faculty, and guests,
 - o 58 maintenance staff attending to the upkeep and repair of infrastructure,
 - 49 gardening staff contributing to the upkeep of green spaces and aesthetic landscaping,
 - o 28 office assistants supporting administrative and clerical tasks, and



- 11 pest control personnel maintaining sanitary standards and preventing infestations.
- Prospective Students and Families: The elevated reputation of Mahindra University, supported by visible CSR-driven development, has influenced educational choices and aspirations in communities across the country.
- Surrounding Communities: Development of university infrastructure and services has
 contributed to local economic activity, skill development, and improved public
 infrastructure in the vicinity of the campus.

These indirect impacts illustrate the broader societal value generated by Tech Mahindra's commitment to inclusive and sustainable development through education-focused CSR interventions.

4.3 Intangible & indirect impacts

Indirect benefits:

- Improved institutional reputation and brand equity.
- Increased community awareness of sustainable development.
- Enhanced student and faculty morale.
- Strengthened alignment between industry expectations and academic curriculum.
- Promotion of a culture of innovation and research.

5: Key Findings and Recommendations

Key findings:

- Significant infrastructure improvement: Major upgrades in educational infrastructure have positively impacted student experience and institutional capability.
- Enhanced student outcomes: Increased student admissions and improved placement statistics reflect effective CSR interventions in education quality and employability.

- Positive stakeholder perception: High levels of satisfaction among stakeholders (students, faculty, administration) regarding Tech Mahindra's CSR initiatives.
- Improved brand reputation: The CSR initiatives significantly enhanced the brand equity and societal perception of Tech Mahindra and Mahindra University.
- Alignment with CSR Objectives: Overall outcomes effectively aligned with Tech Mahindra's stated CSR objectives, demonstrating effective implementation and governance.

Recommendations:

- Introduce a structured system to track the progress and impact of CSR projects, ensuring funds are used effectively.
- Organize regular feedback sessions to better understand the needs and experiences of students and faculty.
- Incorporate eco-friendly practices in all future infrastructure projects to support environmental goals.



APPENDIX

Glossary:

AI - Artificial Intelligence
CA - Chartered Accountant
CFO - Chief Financial Officer

COE - Centres of Excellence

CSE - Computer Science

CSR - Corporate Social Responsibility

EEE - Electrical and Electronics, Engineering

ERP - Enterprise Resource Planning

HR - Human Resources

ICT - Information, Communications and Technology

IMSoE -Indira Mahindra School of Education

IT - Information Technology

JEE - Joint Entrance Examination

JNTUH - Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad

ME - Mechanical Engineering

MEC - Mahindra Ecole Centrale

MEI - Mahindra Education Institutions

MU - Mahindra University

NRI - Non-resident Indian

PG - Postgraduate

PPO - Pre Placement Offer

R&D - Research and Development

IMSoE - School of Education

SOL - School of Law

SOM - School of Management

TechM - Tech Mahindra Limited

TMF - Tech Mahindra Foundation

TML - Tech Mahindra Limited

UG - Undergraduate

VC - Vice-Chancellor



Images of the constructions/infrastructural development for which the CSR funds were used:

HOSTEL III





HOSTEL IV A





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GUEST HOUSE





SCHOOL OF MEDIA











