



## SARGAM 2025: Short Film Competition



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New Horizon College of Engineering



10:00am

The Drama Club returned to Sargam 2025 with another original short film titled **SALUTE**, a story rooted in sacrifice, patriotism and the emotional weight of service. Inspired by the spirit of Indian soldiers, the film followed the journey of Lieutenant Sandeep Unnikrishnan, a fictional character written to reflect the courage, duty and humanity seen in countless real defenders of the nation.

The narrative explored the moments leading up to his sister's wedding and the connection he shared with his family before encountering an active landmine during a casual act of respect. Using symbolism, flashbacks and emotional storytelling, the film paid tribute to the Indian Armed Forces and made the audience reflect on the price of freedom. The screenplay carried themes of honour, love, courage and remembrance, represented through the three colours of the national flag.

The screening at Sargam received heartfelt responses from judges and viewers who appreciated the storytelling quality, transitions, music design and emotional depth. The experience strengthened the filmmaking culture of the Drama Club and provided an opportunity to grow in scriptwriting, editing, direction, performance and production management.

