

## **Concerning the Final Year Students of BHM**

**Dear Students,**

Did you ever hear the story of the ship of Theseus? You did not? Well, it is the story of a wooden ship that was once sailed by the famous mythical hero Theseus in a great battle and was now kept in a harbour as a museum piece. Now, the story makes us assume that with the passing of years, some of the wooden parts began to rot and were replaced by new ones. And then, after a century or so, all of the parts had been replaced. The question that it asks then is if the “restored” ship was still the same object as the original. If yes, the story further teases, then what could have happened when each of the removed pieces were stored, cured, and assembled to make a ship? Could this “reconstructed” ship have been the original ship?

Don't you think that education is also about such deconstruction and reconstruction? Don't you think that no matter how single-mindedly you define yourself, redefinition is always possible? Don't you think that the fact that your identity is not pre-determined gives you freedom to refashion it in any way you want?

If so, then you are not alone. Because, that is exactly what we think too. Therefore, let us join hands and explore the avenues of a soul-searching journey this coming week, to lose ourselves, only to find ourselves again, afresh and with new found abilities.