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MALNAD COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, HASSAN

ME-RIISE FOUNDATION

(A Section 8 Company)

Elevating Ideas, Incubating Success

AUGUST 2026



OUR FOCUS AREAS



RESEARCH

Advancing knowledge through innovation and inquiry.



INNOVATION

Transforming ideas into impactful solutions.



INCUBATION

Nurturing ideas and empowering early stage ventures.



STARTUPS

Supporting startups to scale and create impact.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Building an ecosystem that inspires and empowers.



Empowering ideas. Creating solutions. Building a brighter future.





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IGNITING YOUNG MINDS 8.0

Government High School, Vidyanagar

Organised by ME-RIISE Foundation



NAME OF THE SCHOOL

Government High School,
Vidyanagar



NO. OF STUDENTS ATTENDED

50
Students



MENTORS

Dr. Geetha Kiran A | Stapley | Megha



ME-RIISE Foundation conducted **IGNITING YOUNG MINDS 8.0**, an interactive session designed to **nurture curiosity, observation, problem identification, creative thinking, and innovation** among high school students.



The session began with an introduction to ME-RIISE Foundation and its initiatives, followed by an engaging ice-breaker activity.



Dr. Geetha Kiran A, CEO, ME-RIISE Foundation, interacted with the students and highlighted the importance of innovation and entrepreneurship.



A thought-provoking story encouraged students to develop **critical thinking** and **self-expression**.



Mr. Stapley further engaged the students with practical, real-world examples, encouraging them to observe everyday challenges and explore **creative and innovative solutions**.



The session concluded with an interactive discussion where students actively shared their **ideas, observations, and perspectives**.

“A meaningful session that inspired young minds to observe, question, think creatively, and turn everyday problems into opportunities for innovation!”

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS



Interactive
Engagement



Ice-breaker
Activity



Story-based
Activity



Real-world
Examples



Open
Discussion

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- ✓ Inspired students to observe their surroundings with curiosity.
- ✓ Encouraged critical thinking and problem identification.
- ✓ Motivated students to think creatively and generate innovative ideas.
- ✓ Strengthened confidence in self-expression and idea sharing.
- ✓ Introduced real-world thinking and its relevance in solving everyday challenges.



★ Together, We Ignite Young Minds for a Better Tomorrow! ★



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ALUMNI INTERACTION – 1996 BATCH

ME-RIISE Foundation, Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan



ME-RIISE Foundation hosted an interaction with the **1996 Batch Alumni**, focusing on strengthening industry–academia relations and creating meaningful opportunities for students.



The discussion focused on **Industry Relations**, **Internships**, **Placements**, and strengthening industry connections for student development.

The alumni also expressed their interest in supporting the **startup ecosystem development** through mentorship, industry connect, guidance, and collaboration.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

The distinguished alumni who participated in the interaction were:



Mr. Naveen Krishnaswamy



Mr. Venkat Mahalingam



Mr. Sandeep T. S.



Mr. Vijay Yalapanaver



Mr. Prasad M.

KEY FOCUS AREAS



Industry Relations



Internships & Placements



Alumni–Industry Connect



Startup Ecosystem Development



Mentorship & Collaboration

KEY TAKEAWAYS



Strengthened industry–academia collaboration.



Explored opportunities for internships and placements.



Discussed strategies to enhance industry relations and student readiness.



Alumni committed to supporting the startup ecosystem through mentorship and industry connect.



Plan to collaborate for guiding students and nurturing innovation & entrepreneurship.



Together, we build connections that create opportunities
and empower the **innovators of tomorrow!**



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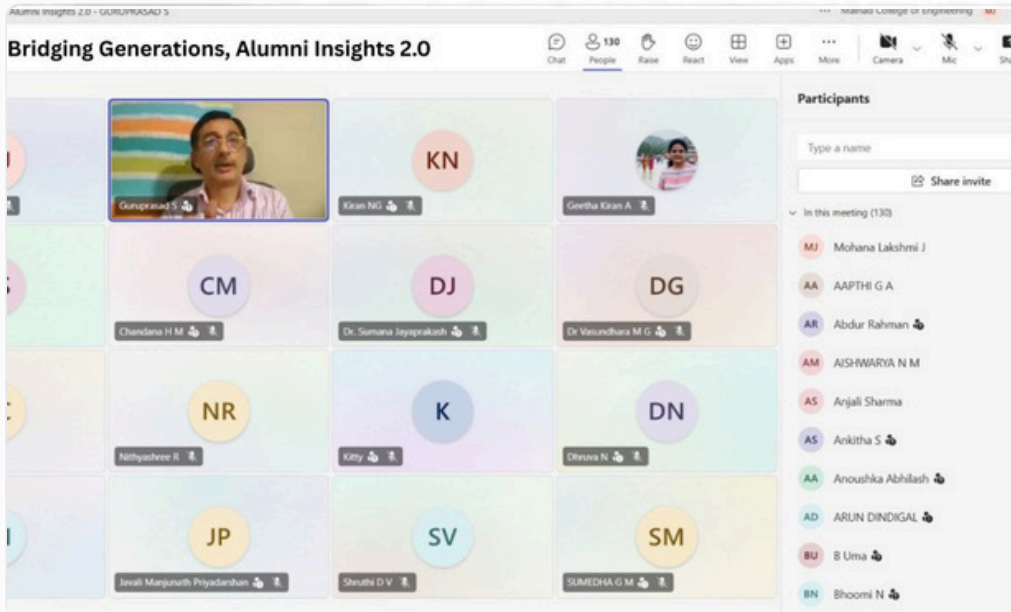
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BRIDGING GENERATIONS – ALUMNI INSIGHTS 2.0

EPISODE 4



ME-RIISE FOUNDATION | Malnad College of Engineering, HASSAN



BRIDGING GENERATIONS 2.0
Inspiring Journeys. Empowering Futures.

Distinguished –
MCE ALUMNUS

GURUPRASAD S
1993 COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

- 3+ Decades of Experience
- Former VP of Engineering & Site Leader, OpenText
- Led Product Engineering Group of 400+ people across Geographies
- Certified Independent Director

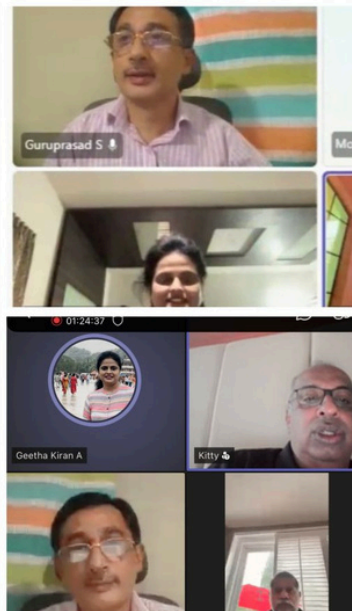
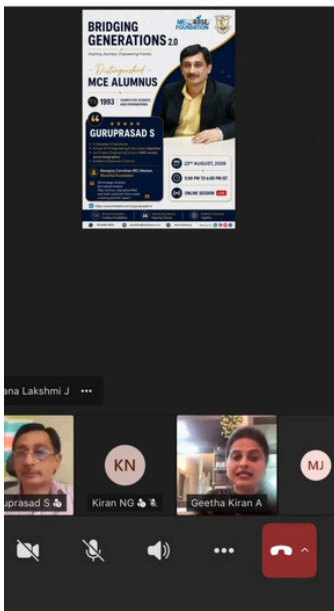
Managing Committee (MC) Member, Niswartha Foundation

Technology evolves, but values endure.
Stay curious, stay grounded, and build solutions that create a lasting positive impact.

22nd AUGUST, 2026
5:00 PM TO 6:00 PM IST
ONLINE SESSION **LIVE**

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/guruprasad-s/>

Strong Foundation. Limitless Possibilities. Connecting Alumni. Inspiring Futures. Building Tomorrow Together.



We were delighted to host our distinguished alumnus **Mr. Guruprasad S., CSE – 1993 Batch, Former Vice President of Engineering, OpenText**, for an insightful session on **"Campus to Career."**



The session provided students with practical insights into career readiness, continuous learning, communication, adaptability, proof-of-work, and personal well-being.

"CONSISTENCY OVER PERFECTION!"



The session served as a valuable bridge between academic learning and professional growth, inspiring students to approach their careers with confidence, consistency, and a commitment to lifelong learning.



ME-RIISE Foundation sincerely thanks **Mr. Guruprasad S.** for reconnecting with his alma mater and sharing his valuable experiences and guidance with our students.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

KEY OUTCOMES

- 130+ Participants Joined
- Engaging Interaction with Alumni
- Real-world Insights & Experiences
- Active Q&A Session
- Students Highly Inspired

- Stronger understanding of career paths and industry expectations
- Motivated students to upskill and stay future-ready
- Importance of communication, adaptability and continuous learning
- Inspired to build portfolios and deliver proof-of-work
- Emphasis on personal well-being for long-term success



Building connections. Sharing experiences. Shaping futures.

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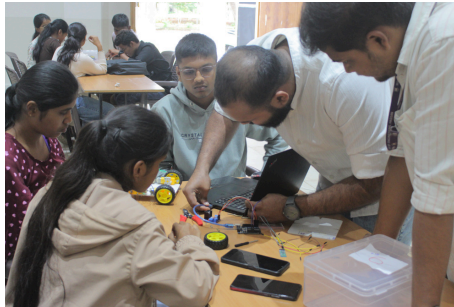
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INNOVATION BOOTCAMP 2026

Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan

Organised by ME-RIISE Foundation



ME-RIISE Foundation organized a five-day Innovation Bootcamp from 24th to 28th August 2026 at Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan. The bootcamp provided participants with hands-on exposure to technology, creativity, robotics, and digital innovation.

REACHING BEYOND ENGINEERING, DIPLOMA STUDENTS

STUDENTS PARTICIPATION

Category	No. of Students
Engineering Students	28
Diploma Students	13
PUC Students	1
Other Engineering College	1
TOTAL	43

BOOTCAMP HIGHLIGHTS



5 Days of
Hands-on
Learning



Hands-on
Sessions &
Activities



Teamwork &
Collaboration



Expert
Mentorship



Innovation &
Creativity

KEY OUTCOMES

- ✓ Enhanced technical and problem-solving skills
- ✓ Improved creativity and innovation mindset
- ✓ Strengthened teamwork and communication
- ✓ Inspired participants to build real-world solutions
- ✓ Confidence to transform ideas into impactful projects



The programme began with an introduction and ice-breaker, followed by interactive activities to spark curiosity and teamwork.



Participants engaged in practical sessions on mobile app development, web-based game building, RC Bots, and Bot Rays.



The bootcamp encouraged critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity through real-world challenges and collaboration.



Expert mentors guided the participants throughout the hands-on sessions, inspiring them to bring their ideas to life.



The programme concluded with a reflection session, celebrating the creativity, learning, and achievements of all participants.



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MSME IDEA HACKATHON 6.0

IDEA SPARK 4.0

Innovate • Pitch • Transform



Organised by **ME-RIISE FOUNDATION** at Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan,
under the aegis of IT BT Department, Karnataka



ME-RIISE FOUNDATION at Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan, under the aegis of IT BT Department, Karnataka is conducting **MSME Idea Hackathon 6.0** and **Idea Spark 4.0** pitching session today, 25 August 2026.

The session aims to provide aspiring innovators and entrepreneurs with a valuable platform to present and validate their ideas before an expert jury.

A total of 13 teams presented their innovative solutions and received constructive feedback based on:

- Novelty and innovation
- Potential value to society
- Technical viability
- Financial viability
- Team strength and presentation

The programme also enabled participants to explore opportunities for incubation, funding, mentorship and business development, helping them take their ideas closer to real-world implementation.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



17

Ideas
Submitted



13

Teams
Presented



Incubation &
Funding
Opportunities



Mentorship &
Business
Development



Step Closer to
Real-world
Implementation

EXPERT JURY PANEL

Nishay Danpal
Managing Director ,
Nishay Motors Pvt. Ltd

Dr. Raghu M E
Associate Professor & HOD,
Dept of CSE, GEC MH Halli

Naveen Krishna Swamy
Co-Founder and CEO at
JumpStart Technologies
Pvt Ltd

KEY EVALUATION CRITERIA

- ✓ Problem identification & relevance
- ✓ Innovation & uniqueness of idea
- ✓ Technical feasibility
- ✓ Market potential & scalability
- ✓ Business model & financial viability
- ✓ Team capability & execution plan
- ✓ Presentation & communication skills



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Encouraging
Innovation



Solving Real-world
Challenges



Building
Entrepreneurial
Mindset



Driving
Societal
Impact



Strengthening
Startup
Ecosystem



★ Together, we empower innovators to build solutions
that create value and impact a better tomorrow. ★

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AUGUST 2026 IN NUMBERS



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Major Events
Conducted

High-impact events
empowering students
and innovators.



13

Projects
Evaluated

Across domains
of technology and
innovation.



64

Students
Trained in DSA

Enhancing problem-
solving and
programming skills.



358

Total participation



OUR MISSION

Create innovation-driven
entrepreneurs and transform
ideas into scalable solutions
through mentorship,
incubation, and industry
collaboration.



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