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ME-RIISE FOUNDATION

(A Section 8 Company)

Elevating Ideas, Incubating Success

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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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ORIENTATION ON EV SAKSHAM

Day 1



An introductory session on the EV SAKSHAM initiative, focusing on designing of electric vehicle from scratch. The session aimed to create awareness among students about EV fundamentals of EV, practical applications, building EV from scratch and future advancements in the electric mobility sector.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

1. Introduction to EV technologies.
2. EV components and fundamentals.
3. Designing EV from scratch
4. Skill development and career opportunities.

Mr.Mayank Arora
SPEAKER

Total Participants
459

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ORIENTATION ON AGENTIC AI

Day 2

An introduction to AI agents, RAG and the Agentic AI Saksham pathway for ISBS, Robotics and Computer Science students, led by Mr. Mayank Arora of Capabl.








An insightful session introducing students to the concepts of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Agents, Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG), and the Agentic AI Saksham Pathway. The session explored how intelligent AI agents work, how RAG enhances AI systems by retrieving relevant information, and how agentic AI is transforming real-world applications. Designed for students from CSE, CSBS, Robotics and allied areas the session aimed to build awareness of emerging AI technologies, practical applications, industry trends, and future career opportunities.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

1. Introduction to AI Agents and real-world applications.
2. Understanding RAG technology.
3. Exploring Agentic AI.
4. AI applications and career opportunities.

Mr.Mayank Arora
SPEAKER

Total Participants
421

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VISIT TO IIM, BENGALURU

Indian Institute of Management , Bengaluru





ME-RIISE Foundation at IIM, Bengaluru

Dr. Geetha Kiran A, Dr. Mohana Lakshmi J along with Ms. Anu Chowdipura visited the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) to explore its vibrant innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystem. The visit provided an opportunity facilitating meaningful knowledge exchange and opening avenues for potential collaboration in innovation and startup development.

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ROBO RACE AT M. S. RAMAIAH INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, BENGALURU.

14th , 15th and 16th October 2026 | M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Technology












ME-RIISE Foundation at MSRIT

ME-RIISE Foundation students participated in the Robo Race competition at MSRIT, Bengaluru, showcasing their robotics skills, technical expertise, and innovation through robot design and performance.

Total Participants

28

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DEEKSHARAMBHA – WORKSHOP ON CREATIVITY, TEAMWORK & LEADERSHIP

College of Agriculture, Karekere, Hassan

Organised by **ME-RIISE Foundation, TBI-MCE,** in association with the **College of Agriculture, Karekere, Hassan,** to **promote creativity, design thinking, teamwork, leadership, and innovation** among students.



Organised by **ME-RIISE Foundation, TBI-MCE,** at **College of Agriculture, Karekere, Hassan,** with the **objective of fostering creativity, design thinking, teamwork, leadership, and an entrepreneurial mindset among students.** The workshop focused on encouraging innovative ideas, identifying real-world challenges, collaborative problem-solving, and developing practical solutions through interactive learning activities.

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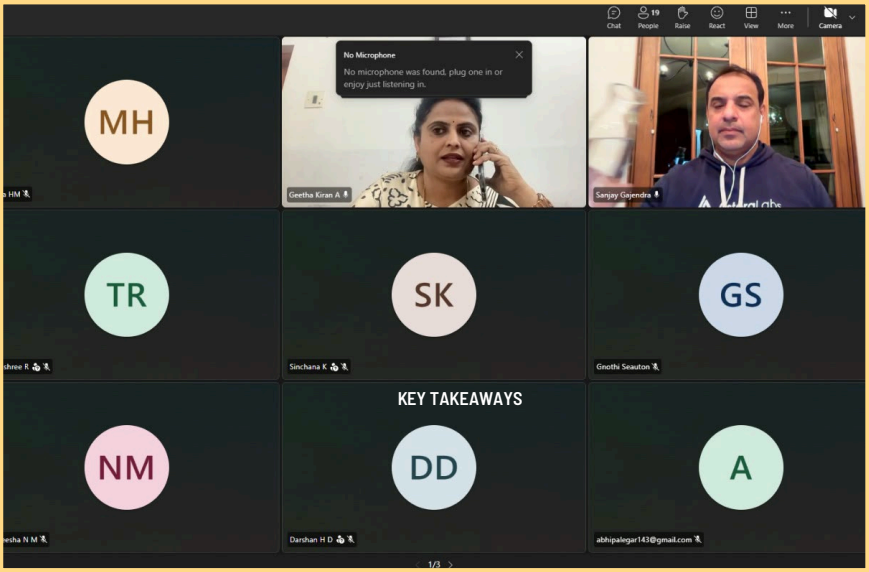
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BRIDGING GENERATIONS
ALUMNI INSIGHTS 2.0
Life After Engineering

24th October 2026 | Online Session





ME-RIISE Foundation, MCE Hassan, hosted **Mr. Sanjay Gajendra,** an alumnus of the **1996 Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) batch**, for an engaging online expert session on Life After Engineering. He is the **EY World Entrepreneur of the Year 2026 Award winner, President, Chief Operating Officer and Co-Founder of Astera Labs, a technology company developing solutions for AI infrastructure**. With over **20 years of experience in product management, marketing, and business leadership, and having previously served as General Manager of the High Speed Interface Business at Texas Instruments**, he shared valuable insights into **career growth, entrepreneurship, innovation, and global technology leadership,** inspiring students to explore opportunities beyond engineering.



Our Esteemed Alumna

Mr.Sanjay Gajendra
1996 CSE Batch
Alumna, MCE

Total Participants

120

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Career Journey of a 1996 CSE Alumna
- Insights on opportunities after engineering
- Learning and Growth in technology
- Real-World Experiences and Advice
- Interactive Q & A with students

Connecting alumni. Inspiring futures.

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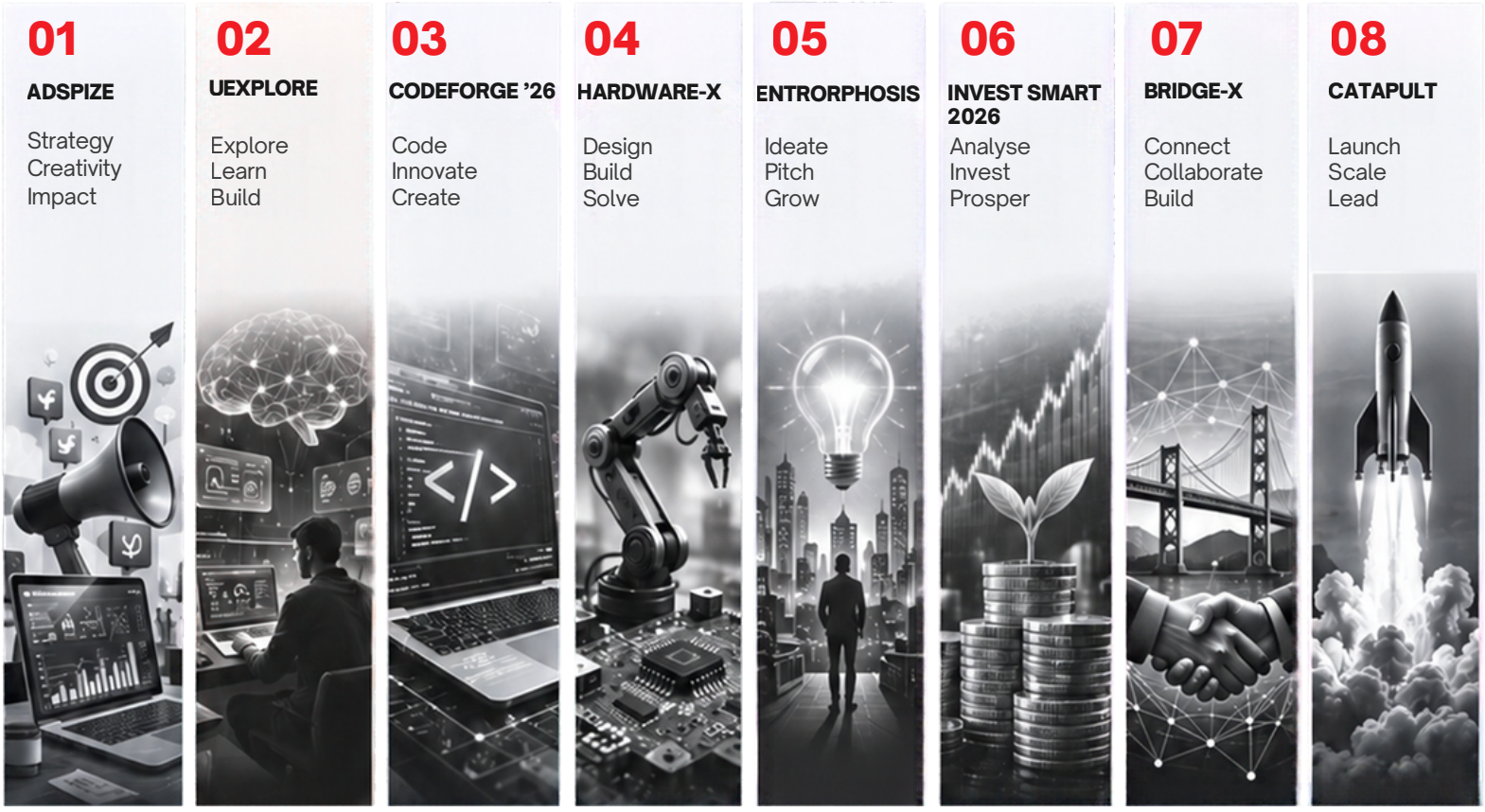
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PRAGYATHA '26

State Level Entrepreneurial Fest



OCT 30th, 31st & NOV 1st

PRAGYATHA'26 is a three-day State -level technical fest organised by **ME-RIISE Foundation** supported by **TBI-MCE,** from **30th October to 1st November 2026**. The event brought together students to showcase their **creativity, technical skills, and entrepreneurial spirit** through exciting competitions, innovation challenges, workshops, and interactive activities across various domains.

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ADSPIZE



Jury
Mrs. Nuthan H. M., Senior Product Designer.

Total Participants
22

AdSpize, an advertisement-making event organized under Pragyatha'26, was held in the presence of Sri B. R. Gurudev, Hon. Chairman, MTES, Hassan; Sri G. T. Kumar, Hon. Secretary, MTES; Sri G. R. Srinivas, Hon. Joint Secretary, MTES; Dr. S. Pradeep, Principal, MCE; Dr. Geetha Kiran A., CEO, ME-RIISE Foundation; Dr. S. Rajanna, Head, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering; and Dr. Sumana Jayaprakash, Head, Department of Civil Engineering.

The event provided a creative platform for students to showcase their advertising and marketing skills. The CSBS team secured the First Prize, while the Mechanical Engineering Department team secured the Second Prize.

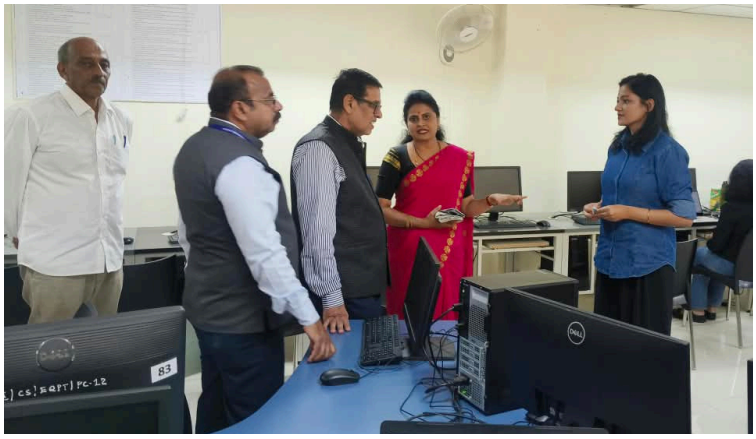
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UEXPLORE – UI/UX HACKATHON



UExplore – UI/UX Hackathon was conducted as a 24-hour hackathon on October 30 and 31, 2026. The event provided participants with an opportunity to develop innovative UI/UX designs while encouraging creative thinking, user-centred design, teamwork, and real-world problem-solving.



Total Participants
34

PRIZE POOL

1st Prize: ₹7,000
2nd Prize: ₹5,000

Resource Person
Mrs. Nuthan H. M.,
Senior Product Designer.

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CODE FORGE 26- SOFTWARE HACKATHON



CodeForge'26 was a 24-hour Software Hackathon held on October 30 and 31, 2026, providing participants with a platform to develop innovative software solutions to real-world challenges.



Total Participants

161

PRIZE POOL

1st Prize: ₹10,000

2nd Prize: ₹6,000 Each (3 teams)

3rd Prize: ₹2,000

Resourse Person

Achal J,

Chinmayi R Shankar

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ENTRORPHOSIS









Entrorphosis encouraged students to showcase their entrepreneurial thinking, innovative business ideas, and presentation skills. The competition provided a platform for participants to explore business opportunities and develop innovative concepts.

Total Participants
38

Resource Person
Stapley V S
Incubation Manager

PRIZE POOL

1st Prize: ₹6,000
2nd Prize: ₹4,000

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INVEST SMART 2026 – STOCK MARKET WORKSHOP









Invest Smart 2026, a Stock Market Workshop, was conducted under the guidance of Mr. Chethan Kumar, Founder and Director of JC Solution. The session introduced participants to stock market fundamentals, investment strategies, and financial awareness.

Participants who successfully completed the workshop received **NISM Certificates.**

Total Participants

15

Resource Person

Mr. CHETHAN KUMAR

Co-founder, JC solutions

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CATAPULT







The Catapult Competition provided students with an opportunity to apply engineering principles through the design and construction of catapult models. The event encouraged hands-on learning, experimentation, creativity, and problem-solving.

The competition offered a total cash prize of ₹4,000, with the First Prize of ₹2,500 and the Second Prize of ₹1,500 both secured by teams from Malnad College of Engineering.

BRIDGE-X







BridgeX challenged participants to apply their engineering knowledge, structural design skills, and creativity through bridge-building activities. The competition encouraged teamwork, practical thinking, and problem-solving abilities.

The competition offered a total cash prize of ₹4,000. The First Prize of ₹2,500 was secured by PES College of Engineering, Mandya, while the Second Prize of ₹1,500 was secured by Sir M. Visvesvaraya Institute of Technology, Bengaluru.

Resouce Person
Subramanya H M

Total Participants
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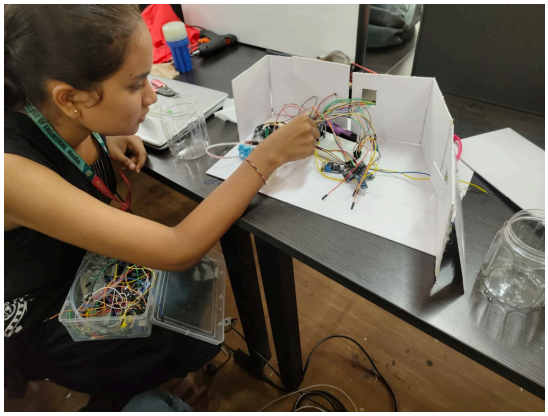
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HARDWARE X – HARDWARE HACKATHON









HardwareX focused on hardware innovation, design and prototyping, providing participants an opportunity to demonstrate their technical knowledge through practical projects.

Total Participants

30

PRIZE POOL

1st Prize: ₹6,000

2nd Prize: ₹4,000

3rd Prize: ₹2,000

Jury

Swathi S Y

Associate professor

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Major Activities

High-impact events empowering students and innovators.

1705

Students / Innovators Reached

OUR MISSION

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



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