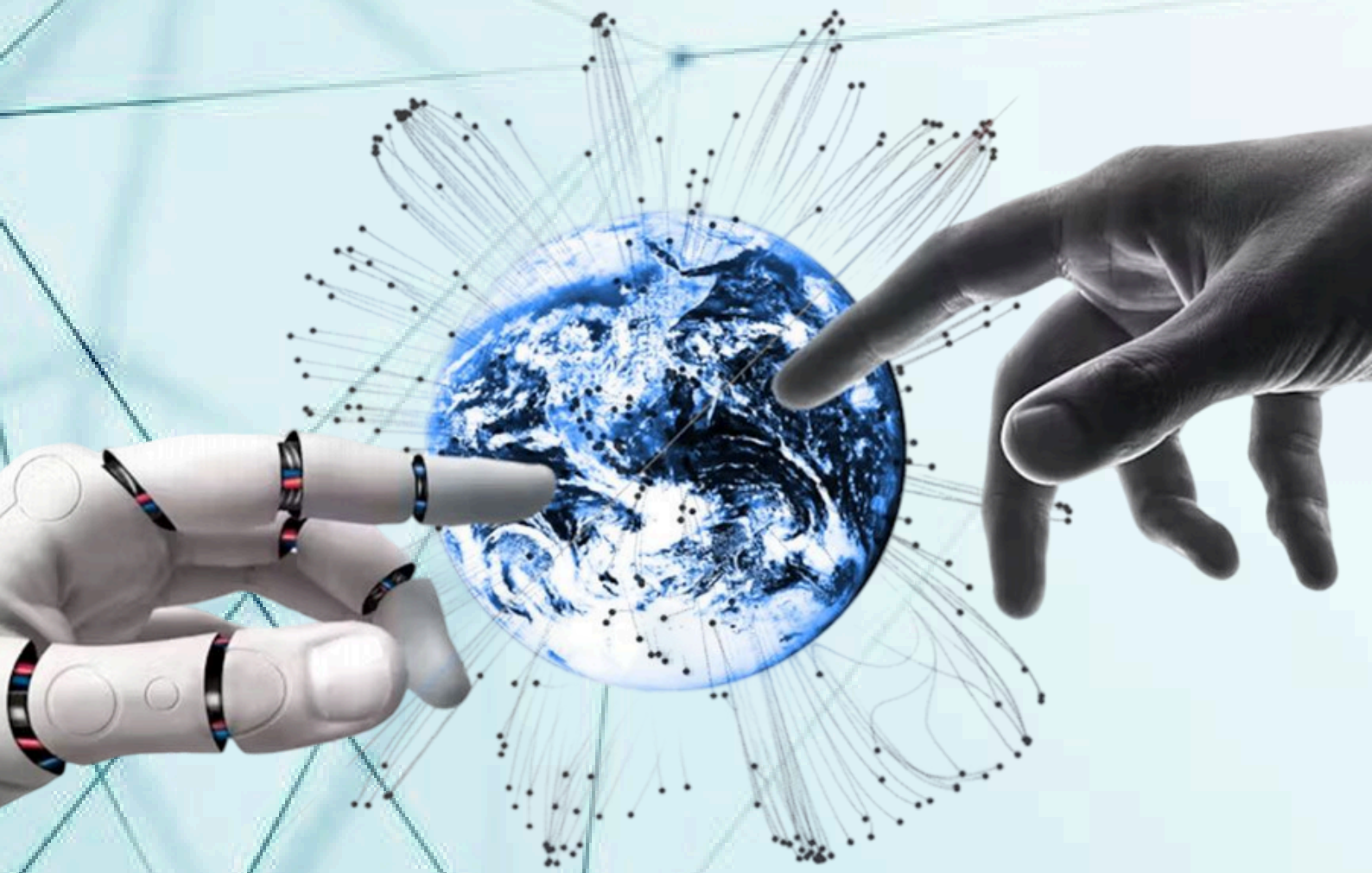
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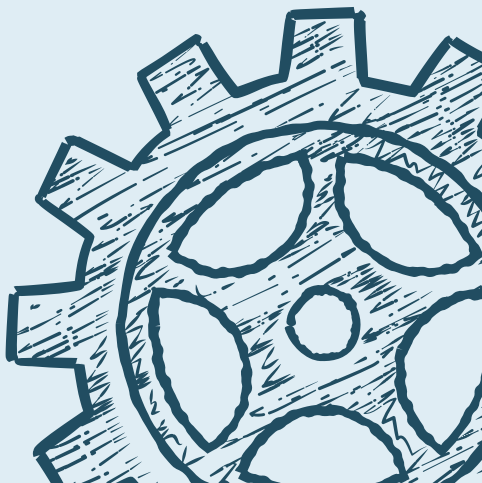
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*“Failure is not evidence that you are incapable.”*





# The generation that must learn to think

**By Mr. Arun V. Rejus Kumar, AP/Mech**

**Thinking should become your capital asset, no matter whatever ups and downs you come across in your life." - Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam**

Dear Young Generation, you are growing up in a strange and extraordinary time. Your grandparents waited days for a letter. Your parents waited hours for a telephone call but, you can talk to someone on the other side of the planet in seconds and now you can ask Artificial Intelligence a question and receive an answer before you have even finished drinking your coffee. You carry more knowledge in your pocket than many kings possessed in their entire lifetime. But here is the uncomfortable question: Are you becoming more knowledgeable or merely becoming better at accessing knowledge? There is a difference. Your phone can tell you the capital of France. AI can explain quantum physics. YouTube can teach you how to repair an engine. Google can find a thousand opinions about almost anything. But none of them can automatically tell you: What should I believe? What should I do? What kind of person should I become? That is still your responsibility. Your biggest competition may not be other people. Young people are often told, compete with others. Get higher marks. Get a better job. Earn more money. Buy a better car. Build a better career. But I think your most important competition is much closer. It is the person you could become.

Every day, you are negotiating with two versions of yourself. One says: "Just watch one more video." The other says: "Spend thirty minutes learning something useful." One says: "I will start tomorrow." The other says: "Start today." One says: "Everyone is ahead of me." The other says: "I only need to become better than I was yesterday." Your future is quietly being constructed through these tiny arguments. And unfortunately, there is no notification saying: "Congratulations! You just wasted three hours of your life." The screen simply asks: "Continue watching?" And you do. AI will not make you irrelevant but someone using AI might. Artificial Intelligence is going to change almost every profession. Some jobs will disappear. Many jobs will transform. New professions will appear that we cannot even name properly today. So don't waste your energy asking: "Will AI take my job?" Ask a better question: "How can I become the person who knows how to use AI better than others?" A calculator did not eliminate mathematicians. The internet did not eliminate teachers. The camera did not eliminate artists. Technology changes the tools. Human beings must change their abilities. Learn AI. Learn coding. Learn communication. Learn mathematics. Learn your profession deeply but above all, learn how to think. Because AI can generate ten answers in ten seconds. Your real value will be knowing which answer is worth trusting. The future will not simply reward people who can produce information. It will reward people who can judge information. Don't confuse being busy with moving forward.

Your generation has another interesting problem. You can be busy all day and accomplish almost nothing. Messages. Notifications. Short videos. Meetings. Assignments. Scrolling. More scrolling. Then, at night, you wonder: “Where did my day go?” The answer is simple. Your attention went somewhere else. Attention is becoming one of the most valuable resources of the future. Companies want it. Social-media platforms want it. Advertisers want it. Entertainment wants it. And if you don't control your attention, someone else will. So occasionally put the phone down. Sit quietly. Read something difficult. Think. Write. Walk. Talk to a real human being without checking your screen every thirty seconds. Seek God. You may discover something shocking: Your brain still works without Wi-Fi. Do not be afraid of failure. Your generation has grown up watching other people's success. LinkedIn shows promotions. Instagram shows vacations. YouTube shows millionaires. Social media shows achievements. Almost nobody uploads: “Today I failed spectacularly. Wish me luck tomorrow.” So you begin comparing your ordinary life with everybody else's edited highlights. Don't.

Failure is not evidence that you are incapable. Sometimes failure is simply the tuition fee for learning something important. The person who never fails may simply be the person who never attempts anything difficult. Apply for the opportunity. Build the project. Write the paper. Start the company. Learn the instrument. Give the presentation. Ask the question. And if you fail? Study the failure. Change something. Try again. A closed door is not always rejection. Sometimes it is redirection.

Finally, Don't Forget to Become Human. This may be the most important lesson. In a world becoming increasingly intelligent, kindness will become more valuable, not less. You can have extraordinary qualifications and still be an unpleasant human being. You can have ten certificates and no wisdom. You can have millions of followers and nobody you can call at midnight. You can know how to communicate with an AI but not know how to speak honestly with your parents. Don't become so successful that you forget the people who helped you begin. Call your parents. Thank your teachers. Help your classmates. Respect the person who cleans your workplace. Listen when someone is speaking. Keep your word. Be curious. Be humble. Because technology may make you faster, richer and more powerful. But only character can make you worth trusting.

The Future Is Not Coming. You Are Building It. And when the future finally arrives, don't merely ask: “What can I get from the future?” Ask the more powerful question: “What can I contribute to it?” Because perhaps the greatest responsibility of your generation is not to inherit a better world. It is to leave behind a better one. And that future begins not tomorrow. It begins with what you choose to do today. “The future is not coming. You are building it.”

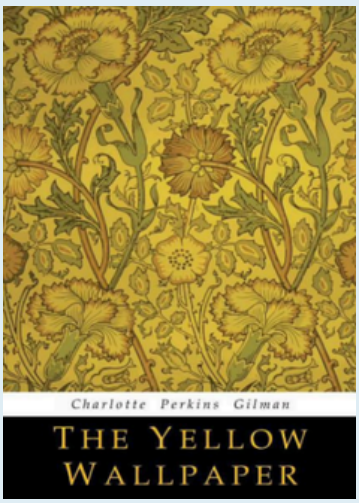
# BOOK REVIEW

*“It is the strangest yellow, that wallpaper!”*



# The Yellow Wallpaper

**By Mabel Mercita P of III CSE B**




There was a time when I was enamoured with the intensity of classical novels and I was going through a phase of reading Dostoevsky, Kafka, and, Shakespeare. I had a wonderful time transcending borders and eras through their stories and that was when I discovered 'The Yellow Wallpaper.' Written by Charlotte Perkins Gilman, this classic is a short read of mere 62 pages. At first, I was doubtful; I mean, how profound a 62-page book can be? I couldn't have been more wrong

The Yellow Wallpaper is narrated in first person as journal entries. The narrator describes her bad mental state, which is something similar to modern-day postpartum depression. Her husband John is a physician who is supposed to be diagnosing her. Yet, he dismisses her mental state, likening it to something insignificant. As the story progresses, we can see how the narrator's mental health deteriorates. The once hated yellow wallpaper becomes the narrator's obsession as she is denied anything intellectually stimulating for her to "get better." She slowly starts hallucinating and believes a woman is living inside the wallpaper. In a haunting final act of psychological liberation, she strips the paper from the walls and crawls over her fainted husband, embodying the freed prisoner.

Published in 1892, this classic stands as an indictment of 19th-century gender roles and how little regard people had for mental health issues. Throughout the story, the narrator is reduced to a mere child who is looked after by her husband. When she is asked to rest, she is expected to perform household chores and her interest in writing and reading is hinted at as a reason for her troubles. This book repeatedly insists that her husband John is the logical one, while her responses are simply emotional.

Even the aspects of the narrator's deteriorating mental health are downplayed by her husband severely. His measure to restore her health was strictly rooted in physical aspects like having a better appetite or appearing "healthy." When in reality, her mental health is on the decline and reaches its apex during the climax.

Overall, this classic stayed with me for a long time because of how acutely Gilman captures the horror of having one's physical and mental pain minimised by male authority figures. If you are an avid classical books fan, it is no secret that men treated women with a mix of paternalistic control and systemic oppression, viewing them as inherently less rational and weaker. However, 'The Yellow Wallpaper,' which belongs to the same era, flips the script. The husband's rigid, condescending "logic" is actually the direct cause of the narrator's madness, proving that patriarchal control is inherently irrational and destructive. Charlotte Perkins Gilman has managed to make this short story deep and meaningful in such a restrained manner.

# SIGNIFICANT HAPPENINGS



# 4th Day of Novena to St. Ignatius

The Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) organised the Fourth Day of the Novena in honour of St. Ignatius of Loyola on 25th July 2026 at Loyola College Church, Loyola Campus, Chennai. The day's reflection centred on the theme “St. Ignatius of Loyola – A Man of Deep Interior Life.”

The service commenced with a welcome and the opening hymn, “ஓசை ஓங்கி ஓசைக்காக எங்குமெங்கும்,” creating a prayerful atmosphere. Inspired by the Scripture passage, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening” (1 Samuel 3:10), the reflection highlighted the deep prayer life of St. Ignatius, particularly his experiences at Manresa and the River Cardoner, which taught him to listen to God's voice, discern His will, and find God in all things.

The Gospel Reading from John 14:23–26 and the prayers of the faithful encouraged the participants to deepen their relationship with God through prayer, attentive listening, and discernment. Special prayers were offered for the Loyola family, students and young people, peace in the world, and those who suffer.

The service concluded with prayers of thanksgiving and the closing hymns, “Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam” and “En todo Amar y Servir.” The Fourth Day of the Novena provided the LICET community with a meaningful opportunity to reflect on Ignatian spirituality and live the values of prayer, discernment, and generous service.



# Inaugural Ceremony of Engineers Integrated for Computing Needs (EICON) 2026

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), successfully organized the Inaugural Ceremony of Engineers Integrated for Computing Needs (EICON) 2026 on 27th July 2026. The event marked the formal installation of the newly elected office bearers and signified the commencement of another promising year dedicated to innovation, leadership, technical excellence, and collaborative learning. The ceremony was graced by Mr. Shivaganesh Ramakrishnan, CEO, 6S Consulting Private Limited, as the Chief Guest. In his keynote address, he encouraged students to embrace emerging technologies, cultivate leadership qualities, and continuously enhance their professional competencies. His insightful address inspired the gathering and emphasized the importance of perseverance, teamwork, and lifelong learning in the rapidly evolving field of computing.

A key highlight of the event was the installation of the new EICON office bearers, who formally assumed their respective responsibilities for the academic year. The Department also announced the TechCzar Magazine Team for the academic year, which will be responsible for documenting departmental achievements, showcasing student talent, and publishing articles that reflect the academic, technical, and extracurricular accomplishments of the department. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks, expressing sincere gratitude to the Chief Guest, the Management, the Principal, faculty members, student volunteers, and all participants whose dedicated efforts ensured the success of the programme. The inauguration laid a strong foundation for EICON's activities in the coming year, fostering a culture of technical excellence, innovation, teamwork, and professional development among the students of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.



# 11th Installation Ceremony – Rotaract Club of LICET

The 11th Installation Ceremony of the Rotaract Club of LICET was successfully held on 29th July 2026 at F11, Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), in the presence of Rotarians, distinguished guests, faculty members, alumni, and fellow Rotaractors. The ceremony marked the official installation of the Board of Directors for the Rotary Year 2026–2027, ushering in a new chapter of leadership, service, and innovation.

The event commenced with a prayer song, the ceremonial escorting of dignitaries, lighting of the traditional lamp, and the collaring of the Immediate Past President, Rtr. Anisha A. The occasion also witnessed the presentation of the Secretarial Report, the release of the 3rd edition of Rotarospect, and certificate distribution for Healing Hues – Chapter 4.

A major highlight was the installation of Rtr. Anubhav Satish as the 11th President of the Rotaract Club of LICET. The ceremony included the exchange of the gavel, introduction of the incoming Secretary, Rtr. Andrea J B, installation and oath-taking of the new Board of Directors, and the launch of the club's new logo, letterhead, and standee.

The programme concluded with addresses by the Faculty Coordinator, distinguished Rotarians, Guests of Honour, and the Chief Guest, who encouraged the incoming board to serve society with passion and integrity. The ceremony ended with the Vote of Thanks, formal adjournment, and the National Anthem, marking the beginning of another promising year of service for the Rotaract Club of LICET.



# Homage to St. Ignatius of Loyola

The LICET Campus Ministry organized a special Homage to St. Ignatius of Loyola on 30th July 2026 at the LICET Garden to commemorate and honour the life, vision, spirituality, and legacy of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus. Centred on the theme "The Ignatian Secret of Greatness," the programme highlighted the values of humility, discernment, selfless service, and dedication to Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam — "For the Greater Glory of God." The gathering brought together Jesuit Fathers, faculty members, staff, and students of LICET in a spirit of reverence and reflection. The programme commenced with an invocation and introduction, followed by the Welcome Address delivered by Rev. Dr. Albert William SJ, Dean of Students. The Gospel Reading was proclaimed by Ms. Reni Benidita of Final Year CSE B.

The highlight of the programme was the Homage Message delivered by the Chief Guest, Rev. Dr. Robin Sahaya Seelan SJ, Director of the Institute of Dialogue with Cultures and Religions (IDCR), Loyola Campus, Chennai. His reflections on "The Ignatian Secret of Greatness" encouraged the gathering to understand true greatness through the values of humility, discernment, wisdom, justice, compassionate service, and dedication to God and humanity. A significant part of the celebration was the Floral Homage to St. Ignatius of Loyola. The Chief Guest, the Director, the Dean, faculty members, staff, and students offered floral tributes as a mark of love, respect, and gratitude towards St. Ignatius and his enduring legacy. The programme concluded with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Rev. Dr. Justine Yasappan SJ, Director of LICET.

The celebration provided a meaningful opportunity for the LICET community to reflect on Ignatian spirituality and recognize that true greatness lies in humility, compassion, service, and commitment to a greater purpose. The participants were encouraged to draw inspiration from the life of St. Ignatius and strive to become individuals of competence, conscience, compassion, and commitment.





# Tamil Nadu AICUF State Council Meet 2026

The Tamil Nadu AICUF State Council Meet 2026 was held from 1st to 3rd August 2026 at Loyola College, Mettala, Salem, with the theme “When Students Rise: From Awareness to Action.” The three-day programme followed the progression “See – Discern – Act,” encouraging students to understand social realities, reflect critically, and take responsible action. Representing the AICUF Unit of LICET, Mr. Vasanthan A (III ECE), President; Ms. Akshaya T (III CSE A), Vice President; and Ms. Bavadharani B (III CSE A), Women’s Commission Coordinator, actively participated in the State Council Meet.

The Council Meet included several thought-provoking sessions and activities, such as “When Students Rise: Finding Our Voice,” “Song of Resistance and Hope,” “AICUF: Our Story, Mission & Ideology,” and “From Spectator to Citizen and from Protest to Transformation.” The participants also engaged in meditation, reading circles, group activities, cultural programmes, discussions, and election-related activities. These sessions encouraged students to reflect on social issues, understand their responsibilities as citizens,and explore ways of contributing meaningfully to society. A proud achievement for LICET was the election of Mr. Vasanthan A as the Tamil Nadu AICUF State Secretary and Ms. Akshaya T as the Tamil Nadu AICUF State Women’s Commission Coordinator.

The three-day experience strengthened the participants’ leadership skills, social awareness, confidence, and commitment to service, inspiring them to move from awareness to meaningful action towards creating a more just and humane society.



# THIRAI – BOLS 2026: Board Officials Learning Seminar

The Board Officials Learning Seminar (BOLS), held under the banner THIRAI – BOLS 2026, took place on 1st August 2026 at the SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Ramapuram Campus, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Chaired by Rtr. Jonathan Jeshua S, the seminar brought together newly installed board members, distinguished Rotarians, and eminent guest speakers for a day of professional development and leadership orientation. Designed as a strategic learning initiative, the event set out to familiarise board officials with their roles, brief them on the duties expected of them, and equip them with actionable insights for long-term planning. The session commenced with the introduction of the eminent Rotarians present, followed by the ceremonial collaring of the club presidents by their respective Sergeants-at-Arms.

An engaging ice-breaker session followed, in which participants were sorted into groups based on a card drawn by each person—an exercise that sparked easy conversation and helped Rotaractors from different colleges connect with one another. The gathering then heard an enlightening address by Rtn. Girish, who spoke candidly about the opportunities Rotary had opened up for him and underlined the importance of networking and personal branding. After a short interval, Rtn. Solomon recaptured the room's attention with an interactive session of quizzes and activities that brought laughter and energy to the hall. He went on to guide the members through the four avenues of service and traced the history of Rotary and the origins of Rotaract. The session concluded with an online quiz, the winner of which was awarded a free club subscription for the year. The final session of the day introduced the newly onboarded members to the My Rotary portal, walking them through its features and the benefits available to registered members. Beyond the formal agenda, the seminar succeeded in fostering cross-campus synergy, building dialogue, camaraderie, and peer networks among student leadership teams from across the district.

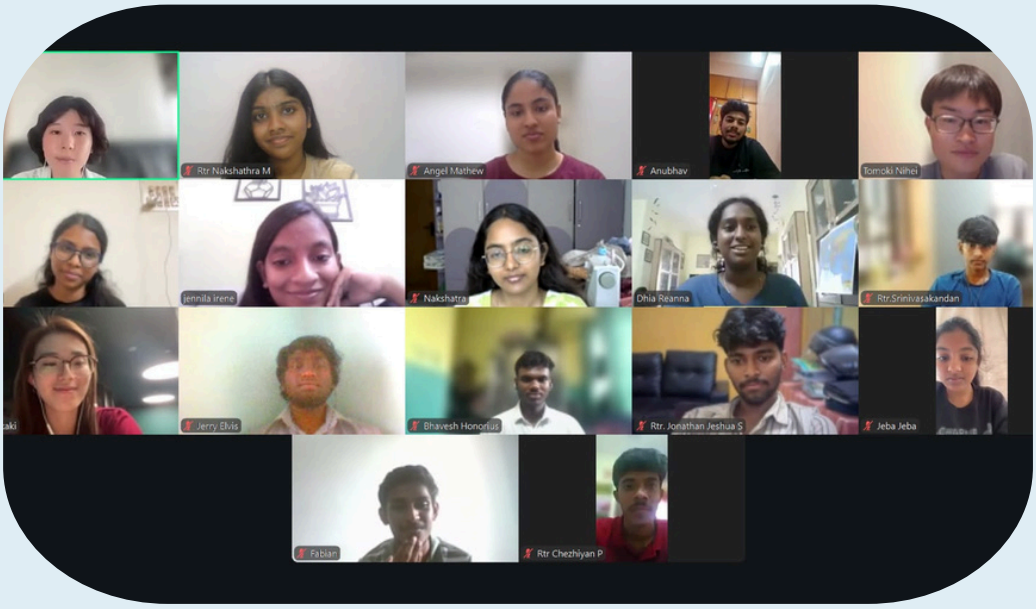


# The Change Exchange – Tokyo Edition 2.0

The Change Exchange – Tokyo Edition 2.0, an International Service Initiative of the Rotaract Club of Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology, in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of International Christian University, Japan, was held on 2nd August 2026 through a virtual Zoom meeting from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Chaired by Rtr. Bhavesh Honorius K and co-chaired by Rtr. Dhia Reanna J A, the event brought together Rotaractors from LICET and International Christian University, Japan, with the aim of strengthening international fellowship and promoting cross-cultural understanding.

The session began with a warm welcome and introductions, followed by engaging presentations on Japanese culture. Rtr. Tomoki Nihei shared insights into anime, regional dialects, and the importance of hospitality in Japanese society, while Rtr. Saho Takaya introduced participants to traditional Japanese cuisine and the history of sanitation in Japan. The Rotaract Club of LICET reciprocated by showcasing various aspects of Indian culture, including the significance of Kolam, the traditions and celebrations of Onam, and the diversity of Indian street food. These presentations encouraged participants to appreciate the cultural heritage and everyday traditions of both countries.

The participants were then divided into breakout rooms for interactive discussions, where members from both clubs exchanged perspectives, shared ideas, and explored possibilities for future international collaborations. The groups later reconvened to present their discussions and proposed ideas, bringing the session to a meaningful close. The Change Exchange – Tokyo Edition 2.0 successfully fostered international friendship, cultural understanding, and collaborative learning between Rotaractors from India and Japan. The event strengthened cross-cultural connections and laid the foundation for future international service partnerships, truly reflecting the spirit of friendship beyond borders.



# Sync In- YRC

The “SYNC IN” event was organized by the Youth Red Cross (YRC) Club of LICET on 5th August 2026 in celebration of International Friendship Day with the objective of promoting teamwork, communication, trust, and coordination among students while reinforcing the humanitarian values of the Youth Red Cross. The event aimed to strengthen interpersonal relationships and encourage participants to work together effectively in both fun and emergency-related situations. A total of 17 teams enthusiastically participated in the competition. The event comprised three interactive rounds, each designed to evaluate teamwork, coordination, and mutual understanding among team members. Through these activities, participants demonstrated effective communication, collective decision-making, and cooperation.

The first round emphasized collaboration and non-verbal communication, requiring participants to rely on teamwork to complete the challenge. The second round assessed how well teammates understood each other through activities that tested compatibility and shared thinking. The final round presented emergency and first-aid-related scenarios, encouraging participants to identify appropriate actions and avoid unsafe practices. This round reflected the core principles of the Youth Red Cross by promoting responsible decision-making, presence of mind, and basic emergency preparedness.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation, with teams displaying excellent cooperation, trust, and coordination throughout the competition. It provided an engaging platform for students to strengthen interpersonal relationships while developing teamwork, critical thinking, and emergency awareness, reflecting the service-oriented values of the Youth Red Cross. The “SYNC IN” event successfully achieved its objective of fostering teamwork, trust, communication, and coordination among students. The event effectively reflected the humanitarian ideals of the Youth Red Cross, encouraging students to develop leadership, preparedness, and a spirit of service.



# XPLORE '26

## National Level Technical Symposium

Xplore'26, a National Level Technical Symposium organized by the EICON Club, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), was successfully conducted on 8th August 2026. The symposium witnessed the participation of 712 students from several reputed engineering institutions.

The event featured six technical events—Paper Presentation, Speed Coding, Capture the Flag, Technical Quiz, Treasure Hunt, and Website Building—providing participants with opportunities to demonstrate their technical knowledge, creativity, programming skills, and problem-solving abilities.

In addition, a standalone workshop provided 52 students with hands-on practical learning. The events were evaluated by an eminent panel of judges from academia and industry, including representatives from Royal Enfield and Caterpillar. The symposium concluded with a valedictory ceremony where winners were felicitated with prizes and certificates. Overall, Xplore'26 successfully promoted technical excellence, innovation, collaboration, and healthy competition among students.



# SLICE 2026

The Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) at Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) proudly organised SLICE 2026, a national-level technical symposium that brought together students from different disciplines, years, and institutions on 08th August 2026. The event provided a wonderful opportunity for students to come together, share ideas, explore their interests, and showcase their technical talents.

With 739 enthusiastic participants taking part in eight events, SLICE 2026 was filled with energy, creativity, and healthy competition. Each event was planned to encourage students to think creatively, apply their knowledge, work as a team, and gain confidence beyond the classroom.

The enthusiastic participation and support from students and faculty made SLICE 2026 a memorable and successful event. More than just a technical symposium, it was a platform for students to learn from one another, build new connections, and create lasting memories.



# STORM 2K26

The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), successfully organized STROM 2K26, a National-Level Technical Symposium that brought together enthusiastic participants from various institutions on 08th August 2026 . Inspired by the spirit of football and driven by engineering excellence, the symposium featured a series of engaging technical events that challenged participants to think critically, innovate creatively, and collaborate effectively.

The symposium featured a diverse range of events, including VAR – Voltage Analysis Review, Charge to Goal, Building Your Winning XI, Grid to Goal, Penalty Shootout, Escape to Glory, and Technical Research Presentation. Each event provided participants with opportunities to apply their technical knowledge, problem-solving abilities, and creativity in an engaging and competitive environment.

The event witnessed an overwhelming response, with 1,368 registrations and 633 enthusiastic participants. Their active involvement and healthy competition contributed to a vibrant learning environment, while the exchange of innovative ideas and technical insights made STROM 2K26 a memorable and enriching experience for all involved.





# FLAIR 2026

FLAIR 2026, a National-Level Technical Symposium, was organized by the Department of Information Technology, Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), under the banner of the department association, GRAIT, on 8th August 2026. The symposium, themed “Dooms Day,” aimed to promote innovation, creativity, technical knowledge, and emerging technological trends among students from various engineering institutions.

The event featured a variety of technical competitions designed around the theme, creating an engaging and immersive experience for the participants. The symposium witnessed enthusiastic participation from 343 students representing 41 reputed engineering colleges across Tamil Nadu and beyond, including Velammal Engineering College, Rajalakshmi Engineering College, Sri Sairam Engineering College, Chennai Institute of Technology, St. Joseph’s College of Engineering, Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham (Chennai), Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, B. S. Abdur Rahman Crescent Institute of Science and Technology, and several other leading institutions.

The events provided students with opportunities to demonstrate their technical abilities, creativity, logical reasoning, problem-solving skills, and teamwork through various challenges. The symposium also encouraged participants to explore innovative ideas and emerging technologies while developing practical skills. The event served as a valuable platform for interaction, knowledge sharing, and healthy competition among students from diverse institutions. Overall, FLAIR 2026 successfully promoted innovation, collaboration, technical excellence, and a strong spirit of learning among the participating students.



# STRATA 2026

STRATA'26, a National-Level Technical Symposium, was organized by the Department of Artificial Intelligence and Data Science, Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology, on 8th August 2026. The symposium aimed to promote innovation, creativity, research, technical knowledge, teamwork, and problem-solving among students from various institutions. The event, themed "The Batman," featured six events: WayneTech Research Summit, Why So Serious?, Batman & Robin, The Gotham Times, Riddler's Escape, and Rogue AI, covering areas such as research, coding, prompt engineering, SQL, artificial intelligence, and storytelling.

The symposium received 850 registrations from 67 institutions, with 449 students actively participating in the events. Students were given opportunities to demonstrate their technical abilities, creativity, logical reasoning, and teamwork through different challenges. The events also encouraged participants to explore emerging technologies and develop practical problem-solving skills. The symposium provided a valuable platform for interaction and knowledge exchange among students, faculty, professionals, and academicians. The valedictory ceremony included the chief guest's address, prize distribution, and recognition of winners and participants. Ms. Keerthi Reddy, Senior Consultant at Virtusa, emphasized continuous learning, innovation, and industry readiness. Winners received prizes and certificates of merit, while participants received certificates of participation. Overall, STRATA'26 successfully promoted knowledge sharing, innovation, collaboration, and interaction between academia and industry.



# Symposium - TechFest 2k26

Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) (Autonomous) successfully hosted the National-Level Technical Symposium – TechFest 2K26 on 8th August 2026. The inaugural ceremony was graced by Mr. Sabarenath Manivasan, Head of Thermal Management Systems – R&D, Montra Electric – TI Clean Mobility Pvt. Ltd. (Murugappa Group), as the Chief Guest. TechFest 2k26 featured STRATA, XPLORE, SLICE, STROM, FLAIR and TorQ hosted by the departments of AI&Ds, CSE, ECE, EEE, IT and Mechanical Engineering respectively. Each department made its best efforts to organize a variety of flagship events. TechFest 2k26 brought together an impressive 3,190 student participants from a total of 109 colleges, making it a vibrant platform for technical learning, innovation and collaboration.

TECHFEST 2K26 celebrated the spirit of young engineering minds through innovation, technical excellence, research and collaboration, creating an inspiring platform for students to learn, compete and share their ideas. A significant event during every year symposium is the release of departmental Souvenir highlighting the activities of their department.

As part of TECHFEST 2K26, the LICET Paper Presentation was conducted, with the top two winning teams from each department qualifying as participants. The event provided students with an opportunity to showcase their research, ideas and technical insights. The paper presentations were judged by Dr. P. G. Kuppasamy, Dean – Research, JNN Institute of Engineering, whose expertise and evaluation added immense value to the event. Overall TechFest 2k26 witnessed the participation of 3190 students with 109 different colleges participating in various technical events and competitions across all the departments.



# Anti-Drug Awareness week E-Pledge and mass Anti-Drug Pledge

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) organised an E-Pledge Social Media Awareness Campaign and Mass Anti-Drug Pledge on 11th August 2026 as part of the Anti-Drug Awareness Week observed from 10th to 14th August 2026. The programme aimed to create awareness among students and staff about the harmful effects of drug abuse and encourage the college community to collectively promote a healthy, responsible, and drug-free lifestyle.

As part of the campaign, students, teaching staff, and non-teaching staff were encouraged to take the E-Pledge through the Drug-Free Tamil Nadu portal, download their e-certificates, and submit them through a Google Form circulated by the NSS Unit. The initiative encouraged participants to make a personal commitment towards preventing drug abuse and spreading awareness among their families, friends, and peers.

The major activity was the Mass Anti-Drug Pledge conducted at 10:00 AM on 11th August 2026. Students and staff members took the pledge in their respective classrooms and staff rooms, creating a unified atmosphere of awareness and commitment across the institution. A total of 1,169 students, 90 teaching staff members, and 60 non-teaching staff members participated, bringing the total participation to 1,319 members.

The programme reinforced the collective responsibility of the LICET community in preventing drug abuse and supporting efforts to create a safe and drug-free environment. The successful conduct of the E-Pledge Campaign and Mass Anti-Drug Pledge encouraged every participant to become an active contributor towards building a healthier, safer, and drug-free society.



# Beyond Coding: Career Opportunities in the Software Industry

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), in association with EICON, organized a National Level Session titled “Beyond Coding: Career Opportunities in the Software Industry” on 12th August 2026 at G01, LICET. The session was conducted with the objective of exposing students to the wide range of career opportunities available in the software industry beyond conventional programming roles.

The session featured Mr. Surya V M, Major Incident Manager at Cognizant, as the Chief Guest and resource person. His professional experience provided an industry perspective on the different career possibilities that students can explore within the software sector. The session focused on broadening students’ understanding of the software industry and encouraging them to look beyond coding as the only career pathway in technology.

As a National-Level Session, the programme provided a platform for students to gain professional exposure and understand the importance of developing relevant skills for diverse roles in the technology industry. The event also emphasized the relevance of continuous learning, adaptability and career exploration in building a successful professional journey. The programme was conducted by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering and EICON, reflecting their efforts to provide students with meaningful industry-oriented learning opportunities.



# CSI Student Chapter Inauguration

The Department of Information Technology organized the CSI Student Chapter Inauguration Programme on 12th August 2026 at G01 for the students of the department. The programme aimed to provide students with opportunities for technical and professional development, industry interaction, and awareness of emerging career opportunities and technologies. The programme commenced with a Prayer Song and Welcome Address, followed by the felicitation of the Chief Guest, Ms. Varsheini Selvaraj, Implementation Operations Specialist, Komodo Health, United States.

The CSI Student Chapter and its planned activities, including technical workshops, seminars, guest lectures, coding competitions, project exhibitions, hackathons, and skill-development activities, were also introduced. The office bearers of the chapter were formally introduced and their badges were distributed. The Chief Guest delivered an insightful session on “Beyond the Degree – Building a Future-Ready Career in a Changing World,” highlighting emerging career trends, AI, cloud technologies, automation, data analytics, cybersecurity, and continuous learning.

Students were encouraged to develop technical competence, communication, problem-solving, teamwork, adaptability, and AI literacy through real-world projects, hackathons, internships, and professional portfolios. The session emphasized that a degree provides the foundation, while practical skills, experience, curiosity, and adaptability contribute significantly to career success. Overall, the programme successfully motivated students to enhance their technical and professional skills and prepare themselves for future career opportunities.



# SHE Express: Creativity for well-being

The SHE Express: Creativity for Well-being – Tote Bag Painting Workshop was organized by the SHE Forum (See Her Empowered) and convened by Dr. G. Kavitha, Dean of Women Students, in collaboration with Fevicryl on 12th August 2026. The programme commenced at 4:00 PM with the introduction of the resource person, Ms. Geetha from Fevicryl, who conducted the painting session. The workshop was organized with the objective of promoting creativity, self-expression, and well-being among students through an engaging and hands-on artistic activity.

Ms. Geetha provided the students with an informative and engaging demonstration of the various steps and techniques involved in tote bag painting. She explained the process of planning a design, sketching ideas, selecting suitable colour combinations, applying paints, and giving the finished artwork a neat and attractive appearance. The demonstration enabled the students to understand the fundamentals of tote bag painting and encouraged them to explore their creativity with confidence.

The students actively participated in the hands-on session by creating and painting their own designs on tote bags. The activity provided them with an opportunity to express their ideas artistically while experimenting with colours, patterns, and creative concepts. The resource person guided the participants throughout the session, offering practical tips and suggestions to enhance their artwork. The workshop created a lively and enjoyable atmosphere, allowing students to take a break from their regular academic routine and engage in a relaxing creative experience. The programme successfully highlighted the role of art and creativity in promoting well-being, self-expression, and confidence. Overall, the SHE Express: Creativity for Well-being – Tote Bag Painting Workshop was a meaningful and enriching experience that encouraged students to explore their artistic abilities while fostering creativity and personal well-being.



# Design Horizon Experience

The Design Horizon Experience was a two-day Design Thinking programme organized by the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), LICET, under the aegis of the School of Design Thinking, to expose students to industry-driven innovation practices. The sessions were led by Mr. Ramnath Prabhu, Senior Manager, Intellect Design Arena and Consultant at the School of Design Thinking, along with Dr. Bhuvana Manoharan, Assistant Manager, Intellect Design Arena and Consultant at the School of Design Thinking.

The programme was conducted across three separate sessions for II Year, III Year, and Final Year students, with approximately 50 students from various departments participating in each session. The event was headed by Rev. Dr. Albert William SJ, Dean of Students, and Dr. K. Gopalakrishnan, Professor, Department of CSE and Vice Principal, LICET.

The programme commenced with a prayer and welcome address, followed by felicitation addresses highlighting the importance of Design Thinking, empathy-driven problem-solving, and creativity in engineering education. The resource persons were also felicitated for their valuable contribution to bridging academia and industry. The core sessions explored the key principles of Design Thinking, including empathy mapping, problem definition, ideation, prototyping, and testing. Through real-world fintech examples and discussions on pre-work visualization, students gained insights into developing effective, human-centred solutions.

The interactive sessions encouraged students to think critically and apply Design Thinking to real-life problems. The programme successfully bridged academic learning and industry practices, fostering innovation, creativity, and problem-solving skills among students and preparing them for future professional challenges.



# IEEE Industry Application Society (IAS) Inaugural and Investiture Ceremony

The IEEE Industry Application Society (IAS) Inaugural and Investiture Ceremony was conducted on 13th August 2026 and the event commenced with a prayer song, seeking the blessings of the Almighty. A formal welcome address was delivered by Ms. Danita, student from third year EEE. This was followed by a motivational address by Rev. Dr. Albert William SJ, Dean of Students, LICET. The students were addressed on the importance of professional development, their active participation and making effective use of opportunities provided through professional societies.

This was followed by the introduction of the Chief Guest, Mr. M. S. Krishnakumar, Head – L&T Smart World and Secretary, IEEE IAS Madras Chapter- Secretary and Mr. Malika Arjuna Reddy, IEEE IAS Madras Chapter, treasurer, highlighting their professional experience and association with the IEEE Industry Applications Society, by Mr. Amaze Percy from second year EEE. The introduction was followed by the Chief Guest Talk on "IEEE IAS: Empowering Students to Become Industry Leaders." Mr. M. S. Krishnakumar shared his insights on the role of IEEE IAS in preparing students for professional and industrial careers.

This was then followed by the introduction and honouring of the newly elected Office Bearers of the IEEE IAS Student Chapter. The office bearers were formally presented and honoured for taking up their respective responsibilities within the student chapter. With the guidance and support of Dr. S. Sathya Barathy, Faculty In-Charge of the IEEE IAS Student Chapter, the newly elected office bearers were encouraged to carry out their responsibilities with commitment and contribute actively to the growth of the chapter. The newly elected office bearers include Ms. Mrinalini Senthil Kumar as Chairperson, Mr. Dev Dharsshan as Webmaster.



# Website Development, Deployment & CI/CD Pipeline setup

The Department of Information Technology organized a Hands-on Workshop on Website Development, Deployment & CI/CD Pipeline Setup on 13th August 2026 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the A21 Lab for the II year students of the department. The workshop was conducted by Mr. Prasad M, Executive Software Developer, Athulya Senior Care, with the objective of providing students with practical knowledge of website development, deployment, version control, source code management, and modern software development practices.

The session introduced students to the complete workflow of developing and deploying a web application, along with the concepts of Continuous Integration (CI) and Continuous Deployment (CD). The workshop focused mainly on hands-on practice, where students created website projects, managed GitHub repositories, uploaded and updated source code, deployed websites, and configured a basic CI/CD pipeline. They also learned how automated build and deployment processes work in real-world software development. The students actively participated in the practical sessions, clarified their doubts, and gained valuable insights through demonstrations and direct interaction with the resource person.

The workshop enhanced their technical, problem-solving, implementation, and industry-oriented skills while providing practical exposure to modern development and deployment practices. Overall, the programme successfully enabled students to understand the end-to-end software development workflow and increased their confidence in applying these skills to real-world projects.



# Design Thinking Horizon

The Design Thinking Horizon session was organized by Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology in association with the Department of Artificial Intelligence and Data Science on 13th August 2026, from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM at F11. The session was attended by II Year and III Year AI & DS students, providing them with an opportunity to understand and apply the principles of Design Thinking.

The session focused on understanding problems from different perspectives, identifying important and urgent matters, and considering the needs of customers. Students discussed real-life problems and explored how Design Thinking can be used to develop effective solutions. They also reflected on their future goals through creative hand-drawn artwork and presentations.

The participants discussed the challenges of not implementing Design Thinking and the possible impact of making changes based only on personal preferences. The session encouraged students to develop empathy, creativity, critical thinking, innovation, and problem-solving skills. Overall, the program provided valuable insights into applying Design Thinking principles in academic projects, engineering activities, and real-world situations.

# Hearts And Hands Rotaract Club

Hearts and Hands was a meaningful community service initiative of the Rotaract Club of LICET, where Rotaract volunteers had the opportunity to serve as scribes for visually impaired students during their examinations.

The event was conducted over three days on 13th, 14th, and 17th August 2026, with Rtr. Dona Davis, Rtr. Jennila Irene, and Rtr. Jeba Prasanna serving as the Event Chairs. Throughout the three-day event, Rotaract volunteers assisted visually impaired students by acting as scribes and helping them write their examinations with greater ease and confidence. The volunteers ensured that the students were able to communicate their answers comfortably, providing the necessary support throughout the examination process.

The experience was deeply fulfilling for all the volunteers, as it gave them an opportunity to contribute meaningfully to the academic journey of visually impaired students. Beyond simply serving as scribes, the volunteers were able to experience the joy of service, empathy, and making a positive difference in someone's life. Another important aspect of the Hearts and Hands experience was the sense of teamwork and mutual learning it created among the volunteers. Working together to support the students required coordination, attentiveness, and a willingness to understand individual needs. The interaction also helped volunteers recognise that support is not merely about providing assistance, but about creating an environment where others feel confident, respected, and empowered. This experience strengthened their sense of social responsibility and showed them how collective efforts, when guided by empathy and cooperation, can create a more inclusive community.

Hearts and Hands was a truly wonderful and heartwarming experience that left the volunteers with a strong sense of self-satisfaction and purpose. At the same time, the initiative promoted Sustainability by encouraging an inclusive and supportive environment where individuals are empowered to pursue their education without barriers. The experience was deeply fulfilling for the volunteers, giving them a sense of purpose and satisfaction while reinforcing the belief that meaningful change can begin with simple acts of kindness. Hearts and Hands truly captured the essence of “Service Above Self” by turning compassion into meaningful action.





# HIV Awareness Session

The SHE Forum (See Her Empowered) of Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) organised an Awareness Session on HIV on 13th August 2026 with the theme “Unite for Life: End HIV Stigma.” The programme, organised by Dr. G. Kavitha, Dean of Women Students, aimed to create awareness among students about HIV, its prevention, responsible choices, and the importance of eliminating misconceptions and stigma.

Mrs. Nirmala and Mrs. Ananthi, ICTC Counsellors from ESI Hospital, Ayanavaram, served as the resource persons and interacted with the students on HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention, testing, healthy lifestyle practices, and responsible decision-making. They also highlighted the harmful effects of substance abuse and the importance of seeking timely support and medical care.

The session emphasised empathy, dignity, and non-discrimination towards people living with HIV. Students also took a pledge against drugs and harmful practices, reaffirming their commitment to healthy and responsible choices. The programme enhanced students’ awareness of HIV/AIDS and promoted responsible behaviour, empathy, and a stigma-free attitude, supporting SDG 3 – Good Health and Well-being and SDG 10 – Reduced Inequalities.



# Design Orientation Programme

The Design Orientation Programme was organized by the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), LICET, under the aegis of the School of Design Thinking, to introduce newly recruited faculty members to industry-driven design thinking practices. The session was led by Mr. Ramnath Prabhu, Senior Manager, Intellect Design Arena and Consultant, School of Design Thinking, along with Dr. Bhuvana Manoharan, Assistant Manager, Intellect Design Arena and Consultant, School of Design Thinking.

The programme was headed by Dr. A. Baskar, Principal, and Dr. K. Gopalakrishnan, Professor, Department of CSE and Vice Principal, LICET. All newly recruited faculty members participated in the programme. Following the prayer and welcome address, Dr. A. Baskar delivered the felicitation address, highlighting the importance of design thinking and encouraging faculty members to incorporate empathy-driven and innovative approaches into their teaching practices.

The core session explored the key principles and stages of Design Thinking, including empathy mapping, problem definition, ideation, prototyping, and testing. The resource persons explained these concepts through practical examples from the fintech industry and encouraged participants to explore ways of integrating design thinking methodologies into their curriculum and classroom practices.

The interactive session enabled faculty members to engage in discussions and gain practical insights into human-centred innovation. The programme successfully bridged academic practices with industry approaches, laying a strong foundation for newly recruited faculty members to foster creativity, innovation, empathy, and problem-solving skills among students.



# Independence Day Celebration 2026

The 80th Independence Day Celebration 2026 at LICET was a significant occasion to commemorate India's journey of freedom, unity, progress, and nation-building. Organized by the LICET NCC Army Unit on 15th August 2026, the celebration provided an opportunity for students and staff to remember the sacrifices of the freedom fighters and reflect on their responsibilities as citizens towards building a strong and progressive nation. The Flag Hoisting Ceremony fostered a deep sense of patriotism, national pride, and commitment to the values of the nation. The National Flag was hoisted by Dr. G. Kavitha, Dean of Women Students, LICET. She emphasized that freedom comes with responsibility and urged students to use their knowledge, technology, and engineering skills to contribute to national security and nation-building. Also she highlighted that competence must be strengthened by character, urging students to uphold the values of freedom fighters and work towards a stronger and better India. The ceremony brought students and staff together in the spirit of national unity and celebration.

The Rangoli Competition, organized on the theme "India's Tricolour Legacy," encouraged students to express their patriotism through creativity and artistic representation. The participation of 15 teams, with four members in each team, promoted teamwork, cooperation, leadership, and appreciation of India's rich cultural heritage. The AI-Generated Poster Design Competition, conducted on 14th August 2026 with the theme "1946–2026: The Struggle to Strength," provided students with a contemporary platform to connect India's historical struggles with its achievements and future aspirations. The participation of 25 students from different departments encouraged interdisciplinary engagement and the meaningful use of emerging technology for creative expression. The posters highlighted themes such as unity, resilience, education, innovation, technology, sustainability, and collective responsibility. Overall, the celebration strengthened patriotism, unity, creativity, teamwork, leadership, and social responsibility among students. It encouraged them to recognize that independence carries the responsibility to contribute positively to society and the nation.



# Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2026 – Orientation Programme

The Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2026 Orientation Programme was conducted on 17th August 2026 from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM at F11, LICET. The programme was organized to create awareness among LICET students about SIH and to motivate them to actively participate in the upcoming hackathon. The session was particularly enriched by the participation of students who had previous experience in various hackathons. These students served as resource persons and shared their first-hand experiences, providing practical guidance to the participants.

The resource persons explained the do's and don'ts of hackathon participation, including problem selection, team coordination, planning, time management, solution development, and presentation. They also highlighted the importance of understanding the problem statement thoroughly before proposing a solution.

A major focus of the session was the SIH PPT presentation. The resource persons explained how the presentation should effectively communicate the identified problem, proposed solution, uniqueness of the idea, technology stack, implementation approach, and expected impact. They also discussed common mistakes to avoid while preparing the presentation and emphasized the need for clarity, simplicity, and effective visual communication. The sharing of real-world hackathon experiences made the session highly interactive and informative. Students actively participated in the discussion and gained valuable insights into preparing themselves and their teams for SIH 2026. Overall, the orientation programme successfully motivated the students and provided them with practical knowledge and confidence to participate in the Smart India Hackathon 2026.



# From Engineering Idea to Market: Building an Innovative Startup

The Make A Difference Club of Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) successfully organised an Investiture Ceremony and an inspirational expert session titled “From Engineering Idea to Market: Building an Innovative Startup” on 18th August 2026 from 10:10 AM to 12:40 PM at F11, LICET. The programme was organised with the objective of encouraging students to transform engineering ideas into innovative, practical, and market-oriented solutions. Mr. T. D. Thambusamy, Founder of RACESIMS, served as the Guest Speaker and shared valuable insights on entrepreneurship, innovation, product development, and the process of converting technical ideas into viable startup opportunities. The session highlighted the importance of identifying real-world problems, understanding customer needs, validating ideas, and developing solutions with practical and commercial potential. Students were encouraged to think beyond conventional academic projects and explore opportunities to transform their engineering knowledge into innovative products, services, and entrepreneurial ventures.

An interactive discussion and question-and-answer session enabled students to gain practical perspectives on innovation, problem-solving, adaptability, and continuous learning in building an innovative startup. As part of the programme, the Investiture Ceremony of the newly appointed Make A Difference Club office bearers for the academic year 2026–2027 was conducted, marking the formal transition of leadership and responsibilities to the new team. The outgoing office bearers were also felicitated with mementos in appreciation of their valuable contributions, commitment, and leadership towards the successful functioning and development of the club. The programme provided students with an enriching combination of entrepreneurial learning, innovation, leadership development, and organisational transition. The event was aligned with the objectives of the Make A Difference Club and contributed to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 4 – Quality Education, SDG 9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, SDG 12 – Responsible Consumption and Production, and SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals.



# Emerging Trends, Technologies and Economic Impact of Electric Mobility

The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE), in association with the Electrical Engineers League (EEL), successfully organised a Guest Lecture on “Emerging Trends, Technologies and Economic Impact of Electric Mobility” and an “Explore Session – Hands-on Experience” with TATA MOTORS EV on 19th August 2026. The Guest Lecture featured industry experts Ms. T. Shree Baala Karthika, Senior Manager – Corp & Govt Sales (TN & Pondi), Mr. Ashik Sheik, Regional Training Manager – TN, and Mr. J. Karthic Sankar, Senior Manager – Customer Care (TN & Pondi). The session provided students with valuable insights into emerging trends in electric mobility, latest EV technologies and developments, industry perspectives, real-world applications, and the economic impact and opportunities in the EV sector.

The hands-on session with TATA MOTORS EV provided students and staff with an opportunity to explore the technologies powering modern electric four-wheelers. The programme included demonstrations on EV technology, electronics and battery systems, safety features, parking assistance, regenerative and advanced driving features, as well as basic car-care practices. Participants also gained practical exposure through real-time demonstrations and test-drive experiences. A special women-only EV experience was also conducted, providing participants with insights into vehicle ownership, safety, parking assistance, and essential car-care practices. The combined sessions served as a valuable platform for students to connect academic knowledge with industry practices while transforming EV awareness into hands-on learning and practical exposure. The programme encouraged participants to explore the rapidly evolving field of electric mobility and the future of sustainable and intelligent transportation.



# Empowering the Future of AI with Salesforce

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), in association with EICON, organized a session titled "Empowering the Future of AI with Salesforce" on 20th August 2026 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM at I11, LICET. The programme focused on the growing role of Artificial Intelligence and the innovations enabled through the Salesforce ecosystem. The session featured Mr. Santhosh Rebello, Head, Higher Education, Salesforce, as the Chief Guest and resource person. His participation provided students with an opportunity to gain exposure to current industry perspectives on AI, Salesforce and their evolving applications.

The programme highlighted four major areas: exploring the power of AI, discovering Salesforce innovations, gaining industry insights from experts, and shaping the future with AI. These themes were intended to broaden students' understanding of emerging technologies and their relevance to education and professional development. The session provided an industry-oriented platform for students to understand the growing significance of AI and Salesforce technologies. It also encouraged participants to explore technological innovations and consider how AI can contribute to their future academic and professional journeys. The programme reflected the Department of Computer Science and Engineering's efforts to provide students with exposure to contemporary technologies and industry developments.



# Engineering Your Future: Building the Mindset and Skills for Success

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), organized a session titled “Engineering Your Future: Building the Mindset and Skills for Success” on 27th August 2026 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at F11, LICET. The programme focused on helping students understand the importance of developing the right mindset and essential skills for a successful engineering and professional journey.

The session featured Mr. Nazeer Basha, Senior Manager, Cognizant, as the Chief Guest and resource person. His industry experience provided students with an opportunity to gain valuable professional perspectives and understand the qualities and skills that contribute to success in the workplace. The session encouraged students to look beyond academic knowledge and focus on developing a growth-oriented mindset, professional skills, and the ability to adapt to changing industry requirements. The interaction provided students with useful guidance on preparing themselves for future opportunities and responsibilities.

Overall, the programme served as an enriching platform for students to interact with an experienced industry professional and gain practical insights into building their future. The session motivated students to continuously improve their skills, develop confidence, and approach their engineering journey with greater purpose and preparedness.



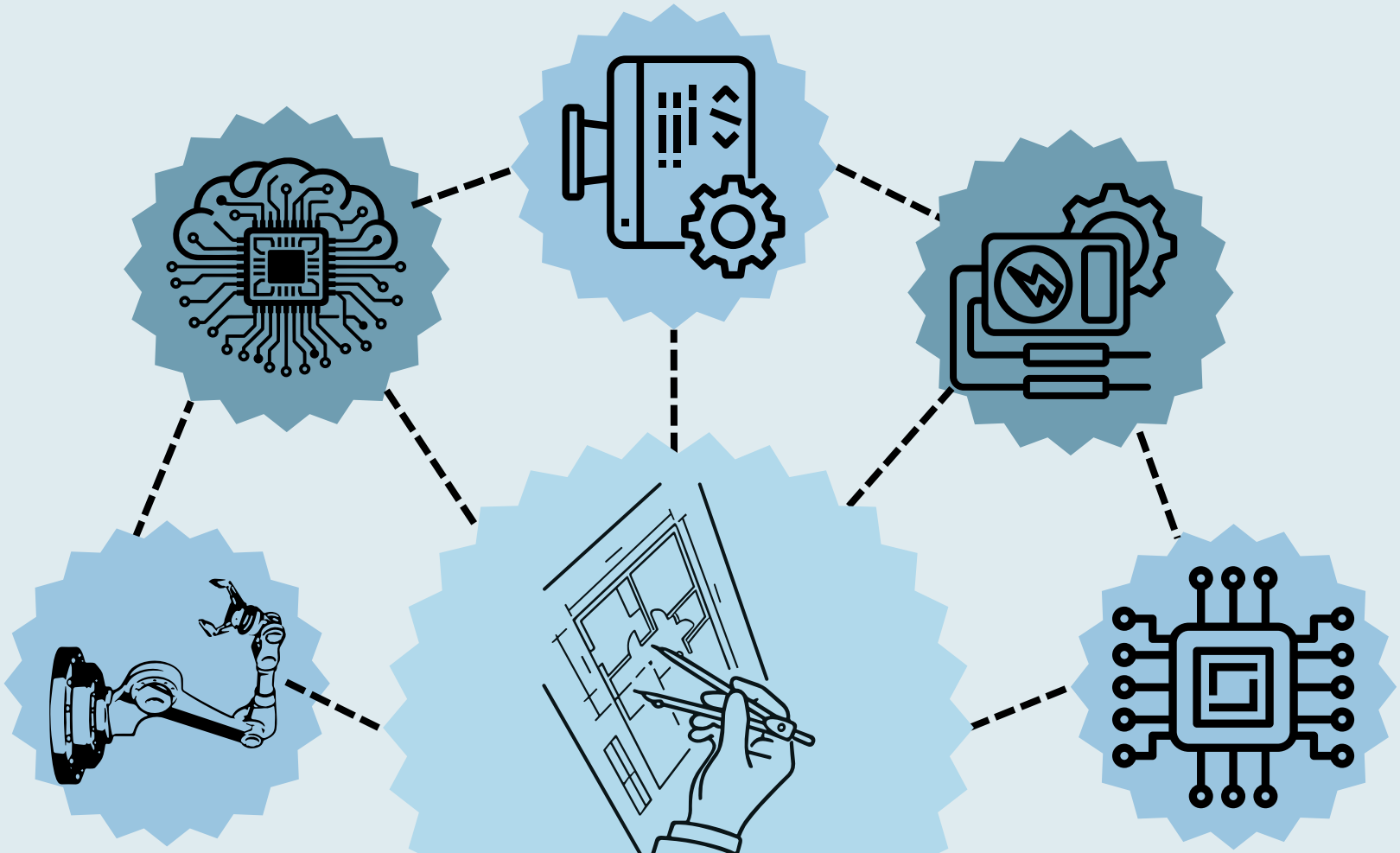
# Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2026 – Orientation Programme

The Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2026 Internal Hackathon was conducted on 28th August 2026 as an institutional-level platform to identify and nurture innovative ideas developed by students for the SIH challenge. The event commenced with the inauguration at 9:00 AM in G01, followed by the presentation and evaluation of student projects. A total of 63 teams comprising 378 students participated in the internal hackathon. The participating teams worked on various SIH problem statements and presented their proposed solutions before a panel of experienced professionals and academicians. The expert evaluators team included, Mr. Srinivasa Gopal, Secretary, IITMAA; Champion PALS, Head – Info Tech (Munify); Mr. Venkata Tilak Kumar Juturu, Engineering Manager, Synamedia India Pvt. Ltd. (IIT Madras Alumni); Dr. Karthikeyan K, Associate Professor – EEE, KCG College of Technology; Mr. R. Vinothkumar, Associate Professor – ECE, Meenakshi Sundararajan Engineering College.

The hackathon provided students with an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to understand real-world challenges and develop innovative, technology-driven solutions. The teams presented their ideas through structured powerpoint presentations and prototype demonstrations, wherever applicable. The presentations were conducted simultaneously across B14, J14, I24, and I34. The expert evaluators interacted with the teams, examined their proposed solutions, assessed their technical approaches and provided valuable feedback for further improvement. The evaluation process encouraged students to think beyond conventional approaches and focus on the novelty, feasibility, scalability and societal impact of their solutions. The interaction with the evaluators also enabled students to understand the strengths and limitations of their proposed solutions and improve their projects for subsequent stages of the SIH selection process. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, who demonstrated creativity, technical competence, teamwork and problem-solving abilities. The Internal Hackathon served as an important preparatory platform for students aspiring to represent the institution at the national-level Smart India Hackathon.



# ACADEMIC EVENTS



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JULY 25

## Student Participation

Arockia Mithuna Nimso N, Anish Joseph Leo, Chris Benedict Patrick, and Abhijeet VS of III CSE A, participated in the EDII-TN TNYIEDP – Nimirndhu Nil Hackathon Bootcamp and were selected for the Final Round of the hackathon.

JULY 28

## Faculty Publication

Dr. G. R. Jainish, AP/CSE has published a research paper titled "AMBIGU-XAI: An Ambiguity-Resistant Neuro-Symbolic Framework for Explainable Cloud-Native Security Incident Detection in WBAN Ecosystems" in the Journal of Intelligent Decision Making and Information Science, Volume 3(9s), pp. 1681–1702, 2026.

JULY 28

## Faculty Publication

Dr. G. R. Jainish, AP/CSE, has published a research paper titled "Sign Voice: Real-Time Sign Language Recognition and Speech Translation System" in Adolescencia e Saude, Volume 21, No. 6, pp. 997–1008, 2026.

JULY 28

## Faculty Participation

Mr. Arun V. Rejus Kumar, AP/MECH has attended a 3-day Faculty Development Program (FDP) on "Modernizing Engineering Education with MATLAB, Simulink and Generative AI." organized by Mathworks office and Webex.

AUG 02

## Student Participation

Arockia Mithuna Nimso Nof III CSE A ,volunteered at the SheBuilds Chennai – CCCL 24-Hour Hackathon, held at Rajalakshmi Engineering College, Chennai, on 1–2 August 2026. Contributed to event coordination and participant support, gaining valuable exposure to event management, teamwork, communication, leadership, and innovation while representing LICET.

# ACADEMIC EVENTS

AUG 03

## Faculty Participation

Dr. I. William Christopher, Professor/EEE, Dr. A. Santhi Mary Antony, ASP/EEE, Dr. L. Ramya Hyacinth, AP/EEE, Ms. B. Raechel Bharathi, AP/EEE and Mr. S. Richard, AP/EEE have participated in a one-week online Professional Development Programme from 3rd to 7th August 2026 on "Machine Learning for Electrical and Electronics Applications", organised by Department of EEE, NITTTR, Chennai.

AUG 03

## Faculty Participation

Dr. J. Josephine Hope Hailma, AP/EEE and Dr. L. Ramya Hyacinth, HOD/EEE have published a book titled "Basic Electrical and Electronics Engineering" in association with Maruthi Publishers. This book is designed specifically to meet the requirements of the engineering curriculum prescribed by our institution. The book comprehensively covers the entire syllabus, presenting fundamental concepts of electrical and electronics engineering in a clear, structured manner.

AUG 08

## Faculty Participation

Mr. Arun V. Rejus Kumar, AP/MECH has participated in a One-Week Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on “Next Generation Design Using Autodesk Fusion Assisted by Artificial Intelligence”, organized by the Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (A), Hyderabad, from 3rd August to 8th August 2026.

AUG 08

## Workshop

As part of the LICET Symposium 2026, an eBAJA Workshop was successfully conducted, with around 40–50 enthusiastic participants from various departments. The workshop introduced students to the fundamentals of electric BAJA vehicles and covered key domains including Roll Cage, Suspension & Steering, Electrical Powertrain, and Electrical Wiring System. Through interactive and hands-on sessions, participants gained insights into eBAJA components, vehicle systems, and the SAE BAJA India event.

# ACADEMIC EVENTS

AUG 10

## Faculty Participation

Dr. A. Santhi Mary Antony, ASP / EEE has participated in a Five-Day Faculty Development Programme from 10th August to 14th August 2026 on "Recent trends and Emerging Technologies in Electrical & Electronics Engineering", organised by Global Institute of Science & Technology, Haldia.

AUG 11

## Faculty Participation

Dr. A. Santhi Mary Antony, ASP / EEE has participated in a Five-Day Faculty Development Programme from 10th August to 14th August 2026 on "Recent trends and Emerging Technologies in Electrical & Electronics Engineering," organised by Global Institute of Science & Technology, Haldia.

AUG 12

## Faculty as Resource person

Mr. Prabhu Shankar, AP/MECH has addressed the Students of Loyola College, Mettala during their Placement Training Orientation. The Session highlighted the career opportunities for young graduates through Placement office, highlighting the importance of Problem Solving and Behavioural skills in landing their first job.

AUG 12

## Faculty Participation

Dr. D. Moses Raja Cecil, ASP/MECH has attended an online awareness session on SAE BAJA Chennai, conducted by the Society of Automotive Engineers India (SAEISS). The session provided valuable awareness about the SAE BAJA event, its objectives, participation requirements, and the overall framework of the competition. It also offered insights into the design, development, fabrication, testing, and evaluation aspects involved in student automotive engineering projects, thereby enhancing awareness of industry-oriented engineering practices and experiential learning opportunities.

# ACADEMIC EVENTS

AUG 12

## Student Achievement

Jose Regish J of third year IT has successfully completed the Hedera Certified Foundation (HCF) and Hedera Certified Developer Associate (HCDA) certifications, strengthening his knowledge and skills in Blockchain Fundamentals.

AUG 13

## Industrial Visit

The Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) organised an industrial visit to the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), Bengaluru, for the third-year ECE students. The visit provided students with an opportunity to gain first-hand exposure to space technology, research, and the functioning of a leading national scientific organisation. The students were accompanied by Dr. R. Vidhya, Assistant Professor, and Mr. P. Jasmin Dennis, Assistant Professor, who guided and supported them throughout the visit.

AUG 13

## Faculty Participation

Dr. G. Annie Nancy, AP/EEE, Dr. J. Josephine Hope Hailma, AP/EEE, Ms. R. Sathia Priya, AP/CSE and Mr. J. John Mathuram, AP/MECH have visited the Department of Medical Sciences and Technology at IIT Madras. They also had an oppurtunity to visit the IITM Research Park and Assitive Technology Research Labs, National Centre for Assitive Health Technologies (NCAHT) and gained insights on the various projects and products being developed at IIT madras. This event was organised by PALS.

AUG 13

## Faculty Workshop

A faculty workshop on “Curriculum Design and Assessment Methodologies” was organised by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET), in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE), headed by Dr. M. P. Vijaykumar IAS (Rtd.), Vice Chairperson of TANSCHE.

# ACADEMIC EVENTS

AUG 13

## Student Participation

Danita Sheffy of third year EEE has attented an IEEE WISE (Webinar for Innovation, Skills and Excellence) on the topic "Writing skills for a quality research paper" conducted by IEEE India Council.

AUG 14

## Faculty as a Reviewer

Dr. I. William Christopher, Professor/EEE has served as a Reviewer for the 2026 International Conference on Sustainable AI for Social Impact and Global Development (SASIGD), held on 13th and 14th August 2026 at Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT), Hyderabad, India. The conference is technically co-sponsored by the IEEE Society on Social Implications of Technology (SSIT).

AUG 17

## MoU with Kids Care Rehab Centre & Physion care

The Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Kids Care Rehab Centre & Physic Care, a unit of Kids Rehab Charitable Trust, to promote collaboration and provide opportunities for students to gain practical exposure and engage in meaningful activities related to rehabilitation and healthcare. The MoU signing ceremony was graced by Dr. V. Irai Anbu, IAS, Former Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu, as the Chief Guest. The event marked an important step towards strengthening collaboration between academia and the healthcare and rehabilitation sector.

AUG 19

## Faculty Participation

Dr. G. Shobana, AP/IT has attended a six-day Faculty Development Program (FDP) on “Data Driven Intelligence and Data Management” from 19th August 2026 to 25th August 2026.

# ACADEMIC EVENTS

## Student Participation

AUG 21

Arockia Mithuna Nimso N, Anish Joseph Leo, Chris Benedict Patrick, and Abhijeet VS III CSE A have participated in the TNYIEDP Nimirndhu Nil Hackathon and secured a place among the Top 10 finalist teams. The team presented their innovative prototype at SRM University, Vadapalani City Campus, gaining valuable exposure to expert evaluation, innovation, and entrepreneurial practices.

## DC Meeting

AUG 21

Mr. L. Ezhil Ruban, AP/MECH, who is currently pursuing his research program in Mechanical Engineering, under the supervision of Dr. D. Antony Prabu, AP/MECH, has successfully completed his First Doctoral Committee Meeting at the Research Centre, Department of Mechanical Engineering, LICET. The Doctoral Committee approved the prescribed list of courses for his doctoral programme.

## Faculty Participation

AUG 22

Mr. J. John Mathuram, AP/MECH has participated in Cool Conclave 3.0, organized by ISHRAE, held in Coimbatore from 20th to 22nd August 2026. The event provided an excellent platform to engage with industry experts, explore emerging trends, and gain insights into the latest advancements in heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration technologies.

## Placement Training

AUG 23

Around 50 students attended the training for campus placement drive (Stellantis), where a briefing session was conducted by our alumnus Rufus (Mechanical Engineering, Batch 2026), currently working at Stellantis. The placement drive is scheduled to be held at LICET.

# PHOTO GALLERY





## NIMIRNDHU NIL : PRE-FINAL ROUND:
## 25 July 2026






## STORM 2K26
## 08 Aug 2026



eBAJA Workshop
08 Aug 2026



FLAIR 2026
08 Aug 2026





## STRATA'26
## 08 Aug 2026





## “REAL WORLD SOFTWARE PROJECT MANAGEMENT
## 11 Aug 2026




## PLACEMENT TRAINING ORIENTATION AT METTALA
## 12 Aug 2026




## SHE EXPRESS: CREATIVITY FOR WELL-BEING
## TOTE BAG PAINTING WORKSHOP
## 12 Aug 2026





## DESIGN HORIZON EXPERIENCE

## 13 Aug 2026







## T2P VISIT AT IIT MADRAS
## 13 Aug 2026




## INDUSTRIAL VISIT - ISRO
## 13 Aug 2026



## IAS INAUGURAL AND INVESTITURE CEREMONY
## 13 Aug 2026





## HIV AWARENESS SESSION
## 13 Aug 2026






## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION
## 15 Aug 2026

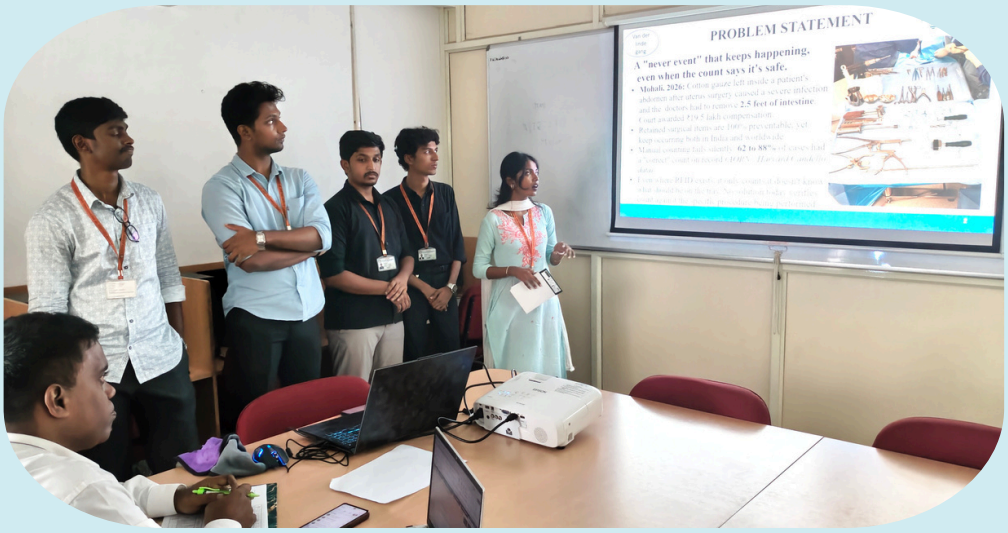


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## 17 Aug 2026




## EV EXPLORE
## 19 AUG 2026






## SIH 2026 – INTERNAL HACKATHON
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