

Together Against Cancer: MVJCE and Indian Cancer Society Organize Impactful 5K Marathon

Bengaluru, May 10, 2025 — In a heartfelt tribute to the memory of Ms. Anitha, an 8th-semester AIML student of MVJCE who battled with colon cancer, MVJ College of Engineering, in association with the Indian Cancer Society, organised a 5K Marathon on Cancer Awareness. The event, held on the MVJCE campus from 6:30 AM to 8:00 AM, witnessed an overwhelming turnout of students, faculty, staff, and guests, all united in a common cause to raise awareness and support the fight against cancer.

The marathon, themed **“Run for a Cause, Race for a Cure”**, was not just a race but a powerful expression of solidarity, resilience, and hope. Participants, whether walking, jogging, or sprinting, moved with purpose, each step symbolising courage and the collective dream of a cancer-free future.



Participants begin the 5K Marathon from MVJCE campus, united in the fight against cancer, 10.05.2025



A moment of unity and determination as runners pass Hopefarm Junction during the MVJCE 5K Marathon

Following the marathon, participants took part in a solemn Survival Walk around the campus, held in remembrance of those who lost their lives to cancer. This reflective walk served as a tribute to their strength and a reminder of the ongoing fight against the disease.



In solemn remembrance: Participants take part in the Survival Walk around MVJCE campus, honoring lives lost to cancer.

The event was honoured by the presence of the esteemed Chief Guest, **Dr. M. S. Ganesh**, a Surgical Oncologist, whose motivational address set an inspiring tone for the morning. He emphasised the critical importance of **vaccination against cervical cancer**, highlighting it as a key preventive measure. Adding further depth to the occasion were **Dr. Vijay from the Indian Cancer Institute** and **Mr. Sathish Rao**, a cancer survivor who had undergone surgery just three weeks prior. Mr. Rao shared his journey and underscored the significance of **Prostate-Specific Antigen (PSA) testing** for early detection and timely treatment of cancer. Their insights and experiences brought immense value and emotional resonance to the event.



Dr. M. S. Ganesh presents awards to the champions of the Cancer Awareness Marathon at MVJCE.



The programme venue at MVJCE set the stage for the 5K Cancer Awareness Marathon

The marathon concluded with a strong message: **“Lace up with love, run with purpose. Every step tells a story of courage.”** The event not only honored the memory of a beloved student but also reinforced the values of unity, health, and compassion within the MVJCE community. As the sun rose over the campus, it illuminated more than just the path of the runners — it shone on a community standing together, stronger than fear, in a race that truly matters.