



**Engineered for Tomorrow** 

## A 3-day Workshop on "Creative Thinking, Innovation and Problem Solving".

The Tomorrow's Engineers Club organised a three-day workshop on "Creative Thinking, Innovation and Problem Solving" from 26/2/2018 to 28/2/2018 at Smt. Rajalakshmi Jayaraman Seminar Hall.

#### The brief details of the workshop are as follows:

### Day 1 (26/2/2018):

The workshop was inaugurated on 26/2/18 by Dr. N. Gunasekaran, Principal, MVJCE and Prof. M Brindha, Vice Principal, MVJCE. Dr. N. Gunasekaran, Principal, MVJCE, addressed the gathering & explained the importance of creativity & innovation to be adopted by Engineers for solving different problems. A total of 54 students from various Engineering disciplines participated in the workshop.

The Facilitators for the 1st day of the workshop were Prof.RavikanthTalluri (HOD, Dept. of Civil Engineering), Prof. Muralidhara R (Associate Professor, Dept. Of Civil Engineering), Prof Jeeva B (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Electronics and Communication Engineering) & Prof. Sanchari Saha (HOD, Dept. of Information Science and Engineering).

1st day session started with a brief introduction of the workshop presented by Prof. Ravikanth Talluri. Prof. Jeeva B explained the aspects of engineering & attributes of an engineer. Prof. Muralidhara R. gave a brief outline on creative thinking, innovation & problem-solving process. A total of 6 teams with interdisciplinary participants (9 interdisciplinary participants in each team) were formed through a questionnaire session by Prof. Sanchari Saha, and those teams identified open-ended problems. Prof. Sanchari Saha delivered awareness on analytical & creative thinking skills. Afterwards, all six teams gave presentations on their identified problems.



A 3 day Workshop on "creative thinking, innovation & problem solving" by tomorrows engineers club. Dayl: 26-02-2018:Dr. N Gunasekaran, Principal, MVJCE, Prof. M Brindha, Vice Principal, MVJCE & 2 student participants lighting the lamp.



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Dept, giving a brief outline on creative thinking, innovation & problem solving process



A 3 day Workshop on "creative thinking, innovation & problem solving" by tomorrows engineers club. Day1: 26-02-2018: Teams discussing on identification of problem.

#### Day 2 (27/2/2018):

The facilitators for the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the workshop were Prof. Muralidhara R (Associate Professor, Dept. of Civil Engineering), Prof Jeeva B (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Electronics and Communication Engineering) & Prof. Sanchari Saha (HOD, Dept. of Information Science and Engineering).

The second day of the workshop started with a session on the importance of thinking out of the box by Prof. Muralidhara R, followed by another session on brainstorming on the identification of issues around us by Prof. Jeeva B. Through these sessions, participants understood the systematic approach for solving a particular problem.

Prof. Sanchari Saha explained the importance of teamwork & the need for appreciating the creativity and ideas of others. Then the teams were asked to find the solution for their chosen open-ended problem. The teams presented their solutions to the audience.

The open-ended problems identified by six teams were:

Team I- Dust Filter from Cigarette Filter.

Team II -EX-PO-DET (Exhaust Pollution Detector).

Team-III- Vector Sterilising Quadcopter

Team-IV- 3 R's (recycle, reuse, reduce) and Protection of Lakes.

Team -V-Sight Via sound

# Team VI- Virtual Reality Smart Learning.



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The facilitators for the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the workshop were Prof. Kavyashree C (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering), Prof. Puvada Praveena (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Electrical Engineering) and Prof Jeeva B (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Electronics and Communication Engineering)

Types of stakeholders & their Importance in problem solving were made clear to the participants by Prof. Kavyashree C & Prof. Puvada Praveena. The teams identified various stakeholders for their chosen problem & explained the importance of those stakeholders in their identified problem context. An objective & action plan were set by Prof. Jeeva B.

Finally, the workshop concluded with a valedictory programme. The dignitaries suggested that all the teams implement their proposed solution & make their idea successful. At the end, certificates were distributed to all the participants.



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**Outcome of the workshop:** The participants understood the way to think out of the box, discover new areas of interest, apply different problem-solving skills in identifying solutions and the role of engineers in society.