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REPORT OF DEEKSHARAMBH

First-Year Inaugural and Student Induction Programme

A.Y. 2026–27

The inaugural ceremony of **DEEKSHARAMBH** marked the official commencement of the academic journey for the incoming first-year engineering students for the academic year 2026–27. The inaugural function was attended by newly admitted students, parents, Deans, Heads of Departments, and faculty members on **Monday, 7 September 2026**.

The programme was organised to warmly welcome the new batch of students into the **MVJCE family** and to familiarise them with the institution's academic environment, values, culture, and opportunities. It provided an important platform for students and parents to interact with the leadership, faculty members, and distinguished guests.

The programme also aimed to inspire the students to begin their engineering journey with **confidence, curiosity, discipline, and a commitment to continuous learning**. The presence of distinguished academicians and industry professionals added significance to the occasion and provided valuable insights into the expectations of higher education and the professional world.

Dignitaries at the Inauguration Function

- **Chief Guest:** Prof. Dr. Venkatesh Raikar, Former Vice Chancellor, Sanjay Ghodawat University, Kolhapur, and Advisor, MVJ College of Engineering
- **Guest of Honour:** Mr. Sandip Das, Chief Technology Officer, SeekLMS, and Distinguished Alumnus of the MVJCE ECE Department, 1995 Batch
- **Presided over by:** Prof. Dr. Ajayan K. R., Principal, MVJ College of Engineering

Garlanding of the Founder's Statue

Prof. Dr. V. A. Raikar garlanded the statue of **Dr. M. V. Jayaraman** as a mark of respect and as a tribute to the founder of the institution. The gesture honoured the founder's **vision, dedication, and enduring contribution to the field of education.**



Chief Guest Prof. Dr. V. A. Raikar garlanded the statue of Dr. M V Jayaraman as a mark of respect

Welcome and Commencement of the Programme

The programme commenced with a warm welcome by the **Master of Ceremonies, Prof. Madhurima Bhattacharjee**. She extended a cordial welcome to the dignitaries, parents, faculty members, and newly admitted students and briefly outlined the significance of the **DEEKSHARAMBH – First-Year Inaugural and Student Induction Programme**.

This was followed by an institutional video presentation managed by the **IT Team**. The video provided students and parents with a detailed overview of **MVJCE's infrastructure and facilities, historical milestones, academic achievements, and campus life**. It also highlighted the institution's commitment to **academic excellence, innovation, research, industry interaction, and holistic student development**. The presentation showcased various **laboratories, centres of excellence, student activities, co-curricular and extracurricular initiatives, placement achievements, and opportunities available to students**. It offered the newly admitted students and their parents an insight into the vibrant academic environment and the wide range of opportunities available at MVJCE.



Prof. Madhurima Bhattacharjee welcomed the gathering

Students of MVJCE then led the gathering in an **invocation song**, seeking the blessings of the Almighty and setting a solemn and auspicious tone for the commencement of the programme.



Invocation Song by the MVJCE students

Tribute to the Founder

A solemn tribute was paid to the legacy of the founder, **Dr. M. V. Jayaraman (1928–2022)**. The Master of Ceremonies highlighted his inspiring journey from humble beginnings in **Manikkudi village** to establishing the **Venkatesha Education Society in 1970** and **MVJ College of Engineering in 1982**. His unwavering commitment to education and his vision of empowering young minds were remembered with respect and gratitude.

The students were also reminded of his enduring legacy and the values of **dedication, perseverance, service, and excellence** that continue to inspire the institution. His vision has remained a guiding force in the growth and development of MVJ College of Engineering and its commitment to providing quality technical education.

Lighting of the Lamp

The traditional lamp-lighting ceremony was performed by the Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, Principal, and a selected student representative from the audience, symbolizing the **dispelling of darkness and the pursuit of knowledge and enlightenment.**



Lighting of the Lamp by the Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. V. A. Raikar

Welcome Address by the Principal

The Principal, **Dr. Ajayan K. R.**, welcomed the gathering and presented floral bouquets to the dignitaries. He also shared the annual college report, highlighting the institution's vision, achievements, and placement performance.



Welcome address by Dr. Ajayan K R, Principal

Introduction and Address by the Chief Guest

Dr. M. Brindha, **Dean–Administration**, introduced the Chief Guest, **Prof. Dr. V. A. Raikar**, Former Vice Chancellor, Sanjay Ghodawat University, Kolhapur, and Advisor, MVJ College of Engineering.



Introduction of the Chief Guest by Dr. M. Brindha, Dean–Administration

Prof. V. A. Raikar delivered an enlightening address focusing on **academic leadership and the evolving expectations of higher education**. He highlighted the importance of **social responsibility, professional ethics, and interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary education**, emphasizing their relevance in the present context.

He highlighted that **all engineering disciplines have equal importance** and noted that the corporate world increasingly expects professionals to possess **T-shaped knowledge**, combining strong domain expertise with interdisciplinary awareness and skills. He encouraged students to develop a **broader perspective beyond their chosen branch of engineering** and to remain open to learning from other disciplines.

He also emphasised the importance of **continuous learning, adaptability, critical thinking, communication, teamwork, and problem-solving skills** in preparing students for the rapidly changing professional landscape. He encouraged students to make effective use of the opportunities available at the institution, participate actively in academic and co-curricular activities, and develop a strong sense of **professional integrity and social responsibility**.

Following his address, he was formally felicitated by the Principal, **Dr. Ajayan K. R.**



Felicitations

of the Chief Guest by the Principal

Introduction and Address by the Guest of Honour

Dr. Shrinivas L. Gombi, **Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering**, introduced the Guest of Honour, **Mr. Sandip Das**, a distinguished alumnus of the ECE Department, 1995 Batch.



Introduction of the Guest of Honour by Dr. Shrinivas L. Gombi, HoD–Mechanical Engineering

Mr. Sandip Das shared **industry-oriented guidance** with the students, drawing upon his professional journey that began at MVJ College of Engineering. He expressed his pleasure at returning to MVJ College of Engineering and highlighted the immense opportunities available in the field of **Electronics and Communication Engineering**.

He encouraged the students to remain **curious, innovative, and committed to lifelong learning**. He emphasized that success comes from combining **technical knowledge with problem-solving skills, teamwork, and perseverance**. He wished all the newly inducted students a rewarding academic journey and a bright future.

He was subsequently presented with a **token of appreciation** by the Principal, Dr. Ajayan K. R.



Felicitation of the Guest of Honour by the Principal

Vote of Thanks

Dr. S. V. Khandal, **Dean–Academics**, delivered the Vote of Thanks, expressing sincere gratitude to the **Management, Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, Principal, Deans, Heads of Departments, faculty members, organising committees, parents, and students** for their presence and valuable support. He acknowledged the contributions of all those involved in planning and conducting the programme and appreciated their efforts in ensuring its smooth execution. He also extended his best wishes to the newly inducted students for a **successful, enriching, and rewarding academic journey at MVJ College of Engineering**



Vote of thanks by Dr. S K Khandal, Dean-Academics

National Anthem

The programme concluded with all attendees rising respectfully for the rendering of the **National Anthem**, marking the dignified conclusion of the inaugural ceremony.