

V V COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Entrepreneurship Development Cell

Two day Regional Level Boot Camp for School Innovation Development Projects (SIDP)

30.01.2023 & 31.01.2023

V V College of Engineering has all the requisite infrastructure facilities as stipulated by AICTE and the Govt. of Tamil Nadu and it is on par with Anna University standards. The college offers five Under Graduate and four Post Graduate programmes. The state-of-the-art infrastructure and facilities available in the college suit the contemporary post-modern educational system. The **Entrepreneurship Development cell** of V V College of Engineering is actively organizing various activities every year to inculcate Entrepreneurship culture among students. Entrepreneurship Development Cell (**EDC**) stimulates the budding technocrats to drift their own business/venture through various activities such as seminars and workshops. Industrial eminent, young entrepreneurs are often invited to motivate the budding engineering students. A series of free lectures and talks by the VVCOE alumni who are excellence in the path of entrepreneurial route also encourage our students through frequent discussions and interactions.

Great innovators and entrepreneurs all over the India have repeatedly predicted Tamil Nadu as the future drivers of the global economy. At the heart of this economic transition is the entrepreneurial action. In today's' scenario, economy Tamil Nadu is leaving its entrepreneurial footprints all over the world. Tamil Nadu Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute, Tamil Nadu (EDII-TN) strongly emphasized the role of education in catalyzing Entrepreneurship. Though entrepreneurship forms an important subject in Science & Technology studies, whether in polytechnic, engineering and now school education, it does not form a substantial part of the curriculum. Time and again question that is raised on to How is it that the students of Science & Technology seldom take the entrepreneurship and while studies offer knowledge and skills, there is very less opportunity to learning the process of becoming entrepreneurs. With a view to create awareness among teacher, faculty and students of Engineering and School education courses about various facets of entrepreneurship as an alternative career option a "Boot Camp on Innovation and Development Projects (SIDP)" is held at V V College of Engineering, Tisaiyanvilai. This program is jointly organized by **EDII-TN** and **Department of School Education** in association with **United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF)** and **Anna University Regional Campus Tirunelveli - IEDP hub**.

The aim of the two day regional level boot camp is to make students aware about aspects of Innovation projects and its development as well as Entrepreneurship. Students are made to face the situations similar to the problems faced by practical real life entrepreneurs, and help students to find proper solution to overcome the difficulty. This would help students to overcome mental pressure in their academic as well as practical life. Apart from the problem solutions, they also learn how to make plans related to business and aware about market surveys about their idea. Hence, this regional level boot-camp helps a student to develop an entrepreneurial mind and learn how real life setup of ideas takes place.

Two day regional level Boot-Camp is an Innovation projects competition for school students of different schools from four districts Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi, Kanniyakumari and Tenkasi. On the first day of camp, participants are made familiar with different aspects of innovation projects and entrepreneurship, during next state level boot camp, idea generation on their projects and its execution on a small scale takes place.

DAY - 1



Principal Dr.K.S.Saji welcoming the Chief Guest



Welcome by EDC-Chief Dr.A.A.Mohamed Faizal

The dignitaries who shared the dais are **Mr.R.Muthuraman** (Additional Director, EDII-TN), **Mr.M.Siva Baarathi** (Field Coordinator, AURCT-IEDP Hub), **Dr.K.S.Saji** (Principal, V V College of Engineering), **Prof.Dr.A.A.Mohamed Faizal** (Chief Coordinator, EDC, V V College of Engineering), **Mr.Saravana Prabhu** (Trainer, UNICEF), all four District and Field Coordinators.



The program started with the Tamil thaai vazhthu and was compeered by Mrs.Iswariya and Mrs.Sabika Baby.



The program began with the inaugural function on 30th January, 2023 at about 9:30 A.M. **Prof.Dr.A.A.Mohamed Faizal**, Professor/EEE & Chief Coordinator/VVEDC welcomed the

Chief Guest **Mr.R.Muthuraman**, other invited guests, VIPs, all **4 Districts coordinators**, Field coordinators, Mentors, Jury members, Guide teachers, school students and all others. Also he gave a brief intro about the event. The program was graced by the auspicious presence of Mr. R.Muthuraman, Additional Director, EDII-TN, Chennai who was the Chief Guest.



Tamil thai vazhthu



Welcome Address



Audience



Chief Guest Address

About 210 students & 42 teams, 42 Guide teachers and 9 Mentors from different schools actively participated in this event.

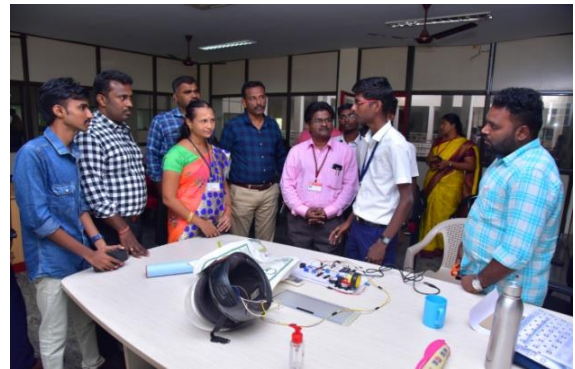
The master trainer of United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) **Mr.Saravana Prabhu** trained the students and gave some wonderful ideas to them about their projects to carry them into the next level. The mentors and guide teachers from various schools and colleges suggested the students to add more valuable technical points related to the respective projects to upgrade into higher level and how to present their views in front of jury members in day 2 of the camp.

Training Session





DAY - 2



Mentors and Guide Teachers carefully monitored the projects & gave their valuable suggestions for improvement to the students.



Welcome Address



Chief Guest Address

The valedictory function of the two days regional level boot camp on School Innovation and Development Projects (SIDP) was held on 31st January, 2023 at V V College of Engineering under the aegis of the EDII-TN, Department of school education, UNICEF and AURCT-IEDP Hub.

Prof.Dr.A.A.Mohamed Faizal, Professor/EEE & Chief Coordinator/VVEDC welcomed the gathering.

Prof. Dr. Silesh Sargunam, Deputy Director, Affiliation, Anna University and Coordinator, Entrepreneurship Development Cell, Anna University Regional Campus – IEDP Hub, Tirunelveli was the chief guest for the valedictory function. In his valedictory address he said that we are now marching into the smart era where skill and innovations play an important role and learning supports the intelligence for the interaction. He says that the curriculum should be oriented towards innovation, incubation and startups and encouraged the students. He concluded his speech saying, “Don’t be a job seeker. Instead, be a job provider, skill development through learning, more importantly to love what we do”.

Dr.K.S.Saji, Principal presided over the function and distributed the prizes.

Mr.Saravana Prabhu, Trainer, UNICEF congratulated the participants and gave an introduction to final state level boot camp. The students who were part of boot camp and the team of students who developed the innovation projects were felicitated during the function.



Principal honouring the Chief Guest



Mentor receiving the memento



Chief Guest honouring the Entrepreneur



Students receiving certificates

All students, guide teachers and mentors who have participated in the boot camp were awarded with a certificate as token of appreciation. Also participation certificates were distributed to all the volunteers who have given their helping hands throughout the camp. The participants were motivated by the rich experience & guidance of Chief Guest & Guest of Honor.

Certificates Distribution



In the closing ceremony, Participants have shared their valuable feedback and experience about this boot camp and also talked about their usefulness of their learning.

The program ended with a vote of thanks by Mr. M.Siva Baarathi, Field Coordinator, AURCT-IEDP Hub, Tirunelveli.
