



ACE LaunchPad Quadrimester Report (Aug 21st, 2023 - Dec 31st, 2023)

About ACE LaunchPad:

At ACE LaunchPad, we recognize the challenges faced by aspiring entrepreneurs in resource-limited educational environments. Our pioneering initiative aims to foster a vibrant culture of entrepreneurship within ACE Engineering College, igniting the spirit of innovation and creativity.

Program Overview and Kick-off (Aug 21st): ACE LaunchPad commenced its journey on August 21st, dedicated to nurturing the entrepreneurial spirit among students.

Orientation for First-Year Students (August 21st): The program began with an orientation for first-year students, introducing them to the world of entrepreneurship.

Orientation Session - Senior Students - (Sept 14th, 15th & Oct 13th): Orientation sessions for fourth, third, and second-year students provided valuable insights into entrepreneurship and the importance of research in innovation.

Support for Internal Smart India Hackathon (Sept 21st & 22nd): Active participation in the internal Smart India Hackathon included judging and shortlisting ideas for submission.

Student & Faculty Meetup with our Director Madam (Oct & Nov '23): A student meetup in October allowed students to showcase prototypes. A virtual faculty meetup in November addressed faculty ideas.

Industrial Visit (Oct 31st): Final year EEE & MECH students had an insightful industry visit to CMAC India on October 31st, gaining exposure to manufacturing and engineering.

EEE Internal Ideathon (Nov 3rd): ACE LaunchPad actively participated as judges in the internal EEE Specific Ideathon, shortlisting ideas for the first pre-incubation cohort.

Startup Open Mic (15th Nov): Guided by industry experts, Startup Open Mic featured virtual insights, connecting students with industry leaders and fostering collaborations.

Industrial Visit (Nov 18th): An insightful industrial visit for Civil Engineering students explored the under-construction commercial site at Jubilee Hills.

Knowledge Hour (Nov 20th): Conducted at the Incubation Center, the Knowledge Hour session refined pitch presentation skills for Demo Day, with active participation from 40 students.

Startup Demo Day (Dec 9th): Coordinated by ACE LaunchPad, Startup Demo Day was a grand success, providing valuable feedback and shortlisting 18 ideas for the first pre-incubation cohort.

FDP - 'Nurturing Academic Excellence' (Dec 16th): ACE LaunchPad hosted an FDP program featuring insightful sessions, inaugurated by the Principal, Mr. B L Raju.

Seminar on Empowering Student Careers (Dec 29th): ACE LaunchPad's seminar lead by Expert Mr. Venkateswara Rao, CEO, Anki Solar, on advanced methodologies for future careers and startups, held on December 29th, showcased the importance of student entrepreneurship.

This Quadrimester Report highlights the successful Kick-off journey of ACE LaunchPad, empowering students in innovation, research, and entrepreneurship.