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**Activities in collaboration with Marathwada Accelerator Growth and Incubation
Council (MAGIC)**

Date of Signing MoU – 18th August 2022

**1. Faculty from GECA Join Jury Panel for Final Round of MeitY GENESIS at
MAGIC Incubation Centre**

Date: 03/03/2025

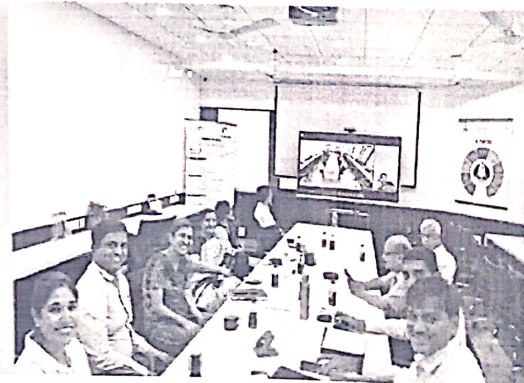
Venue: MAGIC Incubation Centre, Aurangabad

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has initiated a scheme GENESIS (Gen-Next Support for Innovative Startups) to discover, support, grow and accelerate start-ups in Tier II and Tier III cities.

Dr. Varsha Ratnaparkhe, Dr. Sushama Agrawal, and Mrs. Archan Agrawal from Government College of Engineering, Aurangabad served as esteemed jury members in the final round of the MeitY GENESIS innovation challenge held at the MAGIC Incubation Centre, Aurangabad.

As jury members, evaluation of final-stage startup pitches and innovation models across sectors such as health tech, agri-tech, cybersecurity, and smart infrastructure. It was necessary to assess the technical soundness, scalability, and societal impact of the presented solutions.

The participation of Dr. V.R. Ratnaparkhe, Dr. S.S. Agrawal, and Mrs. Archan Agrawal highlighted GECA's continued commitment to supporting entrepreneurial initiatives and fostering a culture of innovation and industry engagement among students and faculty.



2. Archana Agrawal Serves as Jury at DICE 2024 – MAGIC, Aurangabad

Dates: January 6–11 and January 28, 2025

Venue: MAGIC, Aurangabad

Archana Agrawal from AICE, Government College of Engineering Aurangabad, was invited to serve as a jury member during the second round of evaluations for the Defense Innovation Challenge for Excellence (DICE) 2024, hosted by MAGIC (Marathwada Accelerator for Growth and Incubation Council), held from January 6 to 11, 2025, this hybrid-format round involved assessment of innovative defense solutions at various stages including Idea, MVP, and Revenue.

Her contribution in the evaluation round, Professor Agrawal was also invited as a distinguished guest at the Grand Finale on January 28, 2025. The finale featured 24 shortlisted teams presenting their innovations to a panel of experts. Her presence added value to the event, inspiring participants and supporting the advancement of defense-related innovation and collaboration between academia and industry

3. DRDO Chairman Dr. Sameer Kamat Inspires Students at DICE & Incubate Inauguration with Insights on AI and Cybersecurity in Defense

Date: October 5, 2024

Students and faculty from Government College of Engineering Aurangabad, Chhatrapati SambhajiNagar, participated in an engaging session with Dr. Sameer Kamat, Chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), during the inauguration of DICE by MAGIC and Incubatee. The session centered on the critical roles of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and cyber security in modern defense technologies. Dr. Kamat highlighted AI's growing application in defense mechanisms, discussed recent cybersecurity innovations, and shared insights into DRDO's upcoming projects involving advanced technologies. He also interacted with students, addressing their questions and encouraging them to pursue research in AI and cybersecurity, particularly in defense and aerospace sectors where secure systems are vital. The event was coordinated by Principal Dr. S.S. Damhare, Incubation Manager Archana Agrawal, and incubates Amey Kulkarni, Saurabh Nalawade, and Sujit Magar. The interaction not only provided students with a deeper understanding of evolving defense technologies but also inspired them to explore futuristic career and research opportunities in collaboration with premier defense institutions.

डीआरडीओच्या अध्यक्षांसोबत जीईसीच्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी साधला संवाद

छत्रपती संभाजीनगर, ता. ६ : शास्त्रीय अभियांत्रिकी महाविद्यालयाच्या (जीईसी) नवाभारण खोऱ्याने (विद्यार्थी प्रतिनिधी मंडळ) संरक्षण क्षेत्रात व विशेषतः संरक्षण (डीआरडीओ) अग्रेसर डॉ. स्मीर कामत यांची सविनय (ता. रात्र) भेट घेतली. आंध्रप्रदेशाच्या विद्यापीठांनी शोधप्रकल्पात माहितीची सुरक्षा आणि आर्थिक शिफारस इटिक्ससच्या संदर्भात संपन्न राहिल. त्यावेळी कामत यांनी केलेले शब्द निरास आणि मार्गदर्शने विद्यार्थी प्रभावित झाले.

डीआरडीओच्या आयोजित 'डिफेंस इन्व्हेन्शन चॅलेंज' वर एकराज्य २०२४' या कार्यक्रमाच्या अंदाजाने मोठ्याप्रमाणात सहभागितासाठी प्रचार्य डॉ. एस.एस. डामरे, मंडळाच्या नवाभारण खोऱ्याने संपन्न असे व मुलाखती, सैरम कलमरे आणि पुत्रिम भण. अर्चना आग्रवाल यांनी कामत यांची भेट घेतली. त्यावेळी

प्रचार्य आणि विद्यार्थ्यांनी कामत यांच्याशी आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजन्स आणि सायबर सुरक्षा या क्षेत्रातून तंत्रज्ञानावरील संवाद साधला. डॉ. कामत यांनी एआर आणि रायबर सुरक्षेचे संरक्षण क्षेत्रातील महत्त्व स्पष्ट करताना यलुटर्स वजळत या क्षेत्रात तंत्रज्ञानाच्या भूमिकेविषयी माहिती दिली. त्यांचा विशेष भर रायबर सुरक्षेच्या वाढत्या महत्त्वावर होता.

स्त्री एआरच्या निर्माण असलेल्या प्रचारा टाऊन त्याच्या व्यावहारिक उपयोगात भरघोस केले. या चर्चेत संरक्षण क्षेत्रातील तांत्रिक संशोधनाविषयी यांनी दुरुस्ते मिळाले आणि या क्षेत्राचा वाढत्या महत्त्वातील प्रकल्पाने कामत यांनी वेळीस पवित्रते सैरम माहिती मिळाली, जसो भवता नवाभारण खोऱ्याने असे मुलाखती यांनी प्रश्न केले.

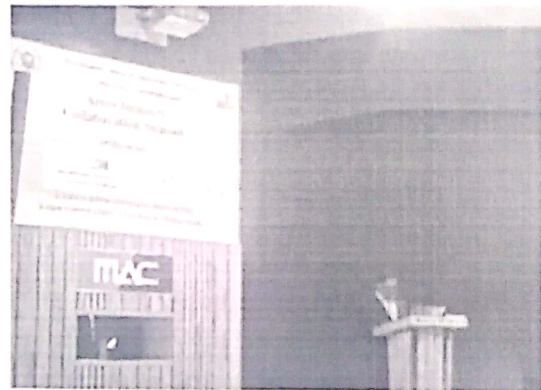
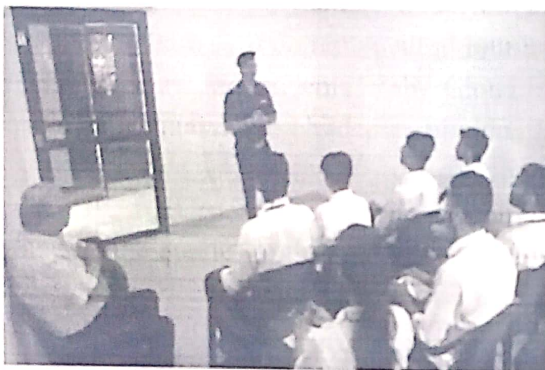


4. MAGIC – ANVESHNA – GECA Collaboration

Date: 25th August 2024

Venue: Cantonment, Chh. Sambhajinagar

A significant collaborative initiative involving Marathwada Accelerator for Growth & Incubation Council (MAGIC), ANVESHNA and Government College of Engineering, Aurangabad has been undertaken to develop inter-disciplinary projects. A highlight of the collaboration was the active engagement and support of the Indian Army, with whom an MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) was signed to further strengthen ties for innovation, technology development, and nation-building projects. This multi-stakeholder partnership demonstrates the shared commitment to nurturing future-ready talent and supporting technology-driven solutions for both civil and defense applications.

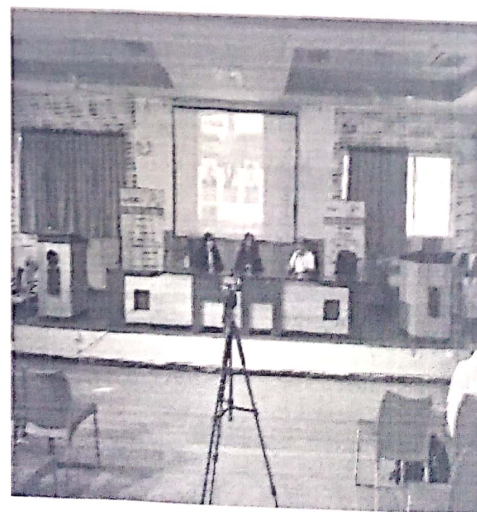
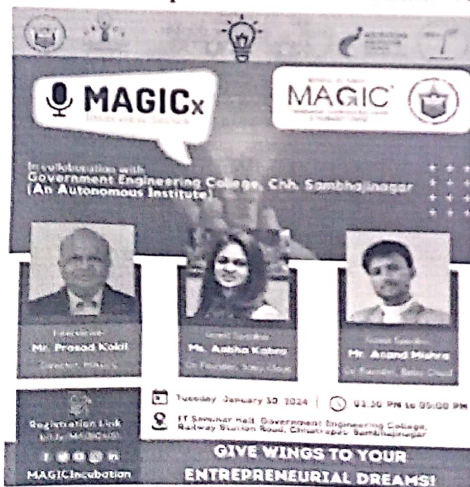


5. MAGICX Interview Series Session

Date: 30th January, 2024

Venue: Government College of Engineering Aurangabad, Chh. Sambhajinagar

An interview was conducted with an aim to provide a platform for young innovative minds to share their entrepreneurial journey, insights, and experiences with aspiring entrepreneurs and students. Baby Cloud is a pioneering venture that specializes in providing innovative childcare solutions leveraging technology. Ms. Aabha Kabra and Mr. Anand Deshpande were the founders and Shri Prasad Kokil, Director of MAGIC was Interviewer for the session. Basic concepts of startups were discussed, and all the queries of the students were solved.



6. Dr. Abhay Jere, Vice-Chairman of AICTE and Chief Innovation Officer, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India

Date: 6th Oct 2023

Venue: MAGIC, Aurangabad

Dr. Abhay Jere, Vice-Chairman of AICTE and Chief Innovation Officer, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India visited MAGIC Office on Oct 06, 2023, from 3:30 pm onwards and interaction with the people from Industry, Academics, and Startup.

The following people attended the session

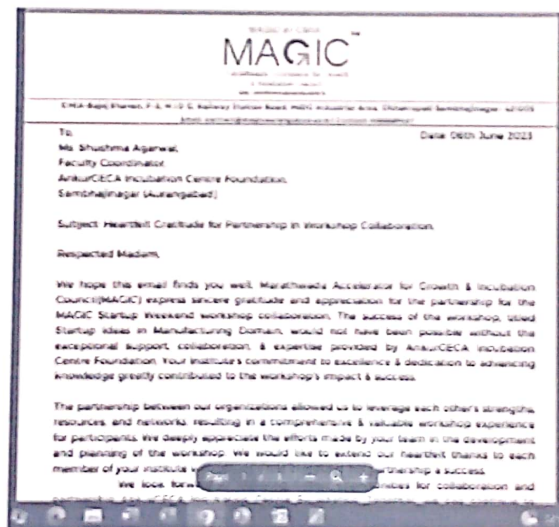
Dr. A.S. Bhalchandra, Dr. V.R. Ratnaparkhe, Dr. S.S. Agrawal, Dr. A.R. Karwankar, Dr. Shilpa Kabra and Mrs. Archan Agrawal attended the same.

7. Workshop Collaboration

Date: 6th June 2023

Venue: Marathwada Auto Cluster, Waluj

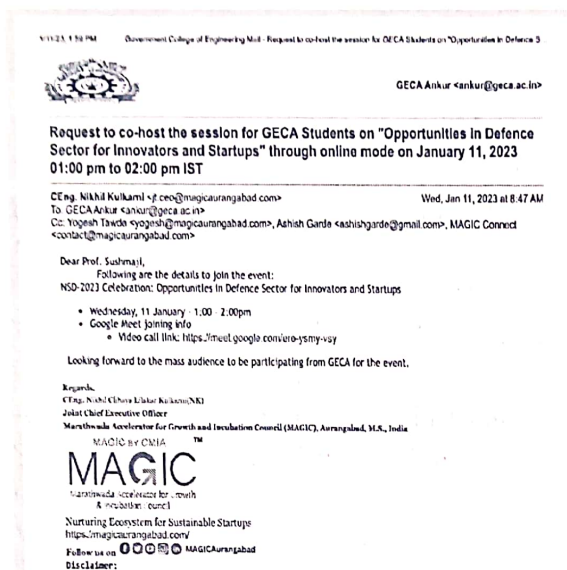
MAGIC Startup Weekend Workshop- Startup Ideas in Manufacturing Domain Marathwada Accelerator for Growth & Incubation Council (MAGIC), in collaboration with AnkurGECA Incubation Centre Foundation, successfully organized the Startup Weekend workshop focused on "Startup Ideas in the Manufacturing Domain." The event aimed to foster innovation and entrepreneurship among aspiring startups. Mrs. Sushama Agrawal represented AnkurGECA Incubation Centre Foundation and contributed significantly to the success of the workshop through her active involvement. Her presence reflected the institute's strong support and commitment to promoting entrepreneurial development.



8. Co-hosting the session for GECA students on "Opportunities in Defence Sector for Innovators and Startups" Online Session

Date: 11th January 2023

Co-host: S.S. Agrawal



9. Future of Incubation Ecosystem in Marathwada

Roundtable discussion on the theme "Future of Marathwada Incubation Ecosystem" co-hosted by MSInS and organized in the premises of MIT, Aurangabad.

Date and Timing: January 12, 2023 11:00 am to 01:00 pm

Venue: MIT CARS Board Room, GATE No: 5, MIT Aurangabad

Dr. Shilpa Kabra, Faculty Coordinator attended roundtable discussion on the theme. Afreen Shaikh, Manager - Admin Cum Registrar, Maharashtra State Innovation Society, Mumbai, Vivek Mogal, Assistant Manager, Strategy and Operations, Maharashtra State Innovation Society, Mumbai, Shri Dushant Patil, Vice-president, CMIA, Aurangabad, Shri Ashish Garde, Director, MAGIC, Aurangabad, Shri. Niwarti Gajbhare, Deputy Registrar, Maharashtra National Law University, Aurangabad amongst others were present for the meeting. Discussion about current challenges being faced by the incubators and how to overcome the same was carried out.



10. Field visit to "MAGIC" Incubation Center

Guidance on Entrepreneurship Development by the industry expert Mr. Ashish Garde the Director of magic.

Date - 23.05.2022

Time – 4 Pm to 6:00 pm

Venue – MAGIC, Bajaj Bhavan, MIDC industrial area Aurangabad.

Faculty Co-ordinators - Prof. Sushama S. Agrawal, Dr. Shilpa M. Kabra.

Marathwada Accelerator Growth and Incubation Council (MAGIC) Recognized by Maharashtra State Innovation Society (MSInS), Government of Maharashtra. MAGIC is approved Host Institute/Business Incubator under Scheme to Support Entrepreneurial and Managerial Development of MSMEs through Incubators, Ministry of MSME, Govt, of India. MAGIC works on Skill Development, Entrepreneurship Development and Industry- Academia Projects. Gives guidance to scale-up business through required professional support and mentoring by team of experts/mentors. In the organized Session the Director of MAGIC Mr. Ashish Garde sir gives insights about various aspects of startup that are ideation, vision, planning, market, leadership, innovation, startup-Job, etc.



S.S. Agrawal