



A Report On “SAURUS’24”

Name of Organizing Unit: Department of Information Technology associated with SB of Sri Sairam Engineering College IEEE Computer Society

Venue: Sri Sairam Engineering College

Date of Event: 15-04-2024 & 16-04-2024

Whether funds received from IEEE exclusively for this event: Yes

Target Audience: Students across years

Attendance :

Brief Description:

Saurus'24 is a 2-day inter-college colossal convention hosted by Sri Sairam Engineering College, supported by Spax. Centered around the theme of "Engineering Innovation Leadership," Saurus'24 features a diverse range of activities, meticulously crafted to cater to both enthusiasts and those keen on exploring new horizons.

The inauguration of Saurus'24 takes place on the 15th of April at Beta Hall. The event kicks off with inspiring keynote addresses from distinguished guests, including Mr. Ashvanth Babu, Mr. Adil Usman, and Ms. Vidhya Arumugam. Participants then have the privilege of attending a panel discussion on "Fostering Engineering Innovation Leadership," featuring experts such as Mr. Shyam Kumar, Mr. Manish, Mr. Sriram Kumar, and Mr. Karthick Rham.

Following the panel discussion, the excitement continues with the commencement of BidWars Round 1, where participants showcase their

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Idea Pitching Round 1,
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On the other day, the event continues with a new set of thrilling activities, including Idea Pitching Round 2, where participants refine their ideas and present them to the judges for further evaluation. Additionally, participants have the opportunity to participate in SparkUp, a platform for budding entrepreneurs to pitch their startup ideas and receive feedback from industry experts. The day culminates with BidWars Round 2, where participants compete in another round of strategic bidding to secure valuable resources.





As organizers, we anticipate that Saurus'24 will be a transformative journey, providing valuable insights and fostering meaningful connections for our participants.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all participants, volunteers, coordinators, and staff members whose dedication and support ensure the success of Saurus'24.

Events Conducted:

1. Panel Discussion:

At the heart of the Saurus event series, a dynamic panel discussion unfolded under the adept guidance of moderator Mr. Adhithya B. Distinguished panelists Mr. Shyam Kumar, Mr. Sriram Kumar, Mr. Karthick Rham, and Mr. Manish M took center stage to illuminate key facets of engineering, innovation, and leadership. They demystified the essence of effective leadership, stressing its transformative potential in various spheres. Exploring the landscape of innovation, the panelists dissected its pivotal role in driving progress and revolutionizing industries. Through engaging narratives and insightful analyses, they ignited a spark of curiosity among attendees, urging them to embrace creativity and visionary thinking. This enlightening discourse empowered the audience to navigate the complex interplay between innovation and leadership,

equipping them with the tools to shape a future defined by ingenuity and progress.



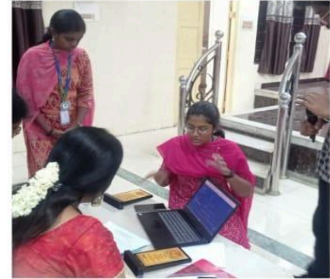


2. Idea Pitching :

The first round of idea pitching at Saurus held on 15th April 2024 at Hands-On-Training Centre where 35 teams eagerly presented their innovative concepts to a distinguished panel of judges comprising Mr. Shyam Kumar, Mr. Karthick Rham, Mr. Sriram Kumar, and Mr. Manish M. Each team showcased their creativity and entrepreneurial prowess, aiming to impress the esteemed panel with their unique ideas. The judges, renowned experts in their respective fields, attentively listened to each presentation, evaluating the feasibility, originality, and potential impact of the proposed concepts. Their insightful feedback and constructive critique provided invaluable guidance to the participating teams, encouraging them to refine and further develop their ideas. This collaborative exchange of ideas between the aspiring innovators and seasoned judges exemplified the spirit of innovation and mentorship at Saurus, fostering a dynamic environment conducive to growth and success.

On the second day of Saurus, 12 teams advanced to the Business Pitching round. This phase featured teams presenting refined business plans to judges Mr. Murugan and Dr. Nayanthara. After thorough evaluation, a winner was selected. The event showcased the entrepreneurial spirit and innovative ideas of the participants, encouraging them to pursue their ambitions with dedication and creativity.

WINNER : Team Ashes





3. Bidwars :

The Bidwars' mission is to solve the difficult problem statements while staying under a predetermined budget. In this event three rounds were held. A series of online quizzes covering technical and cricket-related subjects are used to shortlist 24 teams for the first round. Slido was the platform used to administer the quiz. The second round of the employee hiring auction was held on April 15. The team members had opportunity to choose positions such as chief financial officer, executive officer, operation officer, analyst, and web developer during the employee hire auction. Each team is assigned a budget of three crores and need to submit a paper detailing how they plan to grow their business successfully with the hires. This round's evaluation criteria were team formation, team expertise, quality of delivery, and resource utilization and 10 teams were shortlisted. On 16th April, the last phase took place, in which the shortlisted teams were invited to retain two positions and add new ones. They were requested to give a presentation about their company with the new members. A winner and runner-up were chosen based on the use of resources, the caliber of the deliverables, the composition of the team, and the appraisal of the team's skills.

WINNER : Team Bidpros

RUNNER UP : Team Ember





4. SparkUp :

Spark Up, the culminating event of the Saurus series, ignited creativity and innovation among participants. The journey began with an online selection process, where teams were tasked with preparing paper presentations based on themes like healthcare, education, and agriculture. Out of 35 submissions, 15 outstanding teams advanced to the second round.

In this round, participants faced a unique challenge: they were presented with failed startup ideas and tasked with crafting on-the-spot solutions within a tight timeframe. Armed with quick thinking and ingenuity, the shortlisted teams created dynamic PowerPoint presentations outlining their innovative solutions. These presentations were then delivered in front of a panel of judges, who evaluated each team's ability to think critically, problem-solve, and communicate effectively under pressure.

The Spark Up event encapsulated the essence of entrepreneurship, pushing participants to think outside the box and transform setbacks into opportunities. It served as a platform for aspiring innovators to showcase their resilience, adaptability, and creative prowess, inspiring future generations of trailblazers in the process.

WINNER : Trix Team

RUNNER UP : Tech Squad





Valedictory Ceremony :

The valedictory ceremony of Saurus was graced by Mr. Niranjan Kumar and Ms. Vedhapriyavandhana R, who served as distinguished chief guests. Their arrival marked a momentous occasion, elevating the atmosphere with anticipation and excitement. Dr. Soma Prathibha and Ms. Renukadevi, esteemed members of the organizing committee, felicitated the chief guests, honoring them for their invaluable contributions to the event.

As the ceremony unfolded, Mr. Niranjan Kumar and Ms. Vedhapriyavandhana R shared their profound insights and words of encouragement with the gathered audience. Their words resonated deeply, inspiring and motivating participants to pursue their passions with zeal and determination. The valedictory function reached its pinnacle as the chief guests imparted wisdom and encouragement, leaving an indelible mark on all those present.

The event concluded on a high note, with attendees reflecting on the memorable and inspiring moments shared during the valedictory ceremony. Mr. Niranjan Kumar and Ms. Vedhapriyavandhana R's presence served as a beacon of inspiration, reaffirming the spirit of innovation and excellence that defined the Saurus event series.



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