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of

IEEE Meetup: LEADxIEEE – Leadership Engagement and Development

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EVENT DETAILS:

Event Mode: Offline

Event Date: 4th July 2025

Event Venue: EC-AV Hall, E&C Department, SCET

Attendees: IEEE Members of SCET Student Branch

Faculty Coordinator: Prof. (Dr.) Ketki Pathak

Prof. Vandana Joshi

Student Coordinator: Shruti Desai

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DEVELOPMENT TALK

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Mr. Deepak Mathur 2024 IEEE Vice-President- MGA Former IEEE R10 Director Former chair at IEEE India Council

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EC-AV room



4th July 2025



3:00 PM



No Registration fees



Open for all (IEEE,Non-IEEE students, faculties)



Event will followed by High Tea

INTRODUCTION:

The IEEE SCET Student Branch hosted a distinguished session titled "IEEE Meetup: LEADxIEEE – Leadership Engagement and Development Talk", featuring Dr. Deepak Mathur, Vice President of IEEE MGA, as the Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker. The event was organized to enhance leadership, professional engagement, and broadened understanding among IEEE student members, young professionals, and volunteers about the larger mission and scope of IEEE.

The session commenced with a warm welcome by Master of Ceremonies Anika Mehta (Secretary, IEEE SCET SB) and Shruti Desai (Chair, IEEE CS SCET SB), followed by an introduction to the significance of leadership-focused engagements under the IEEE umbrella.

The welcome address featured a concise yet impactful presentation that highlighted the wide array of events conducted by IEEE SCET SB during the academic year 2024–25. These events spanned technical workshops, professional development sessions, and non-technical initiatives, many of which witnessed remarkable participation and were met with great success. The presentation underscored the branch's consistent dedication to fostering student talent, encouraging innovation, and building inclusive platforms for learning and leadership. Additionally, the presentation proudly displayed the Executive Committee members of IEEE SCET SB, acknowledging their efforts and leadership throughout the year. Their contributions have been instrumental in shaping the vision and execution of various impactful initiatives under the student branch.



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

Opening Address by Dr. Chirag Paunwala

The event began with a thoughtful and insightful address by Dr. Chirag Paunwala, Chair of IEEE Gujarat Section, Advisor of IEEE SIGHT SCET SB, and Professional Lead of the IEEE ACEI Ambassador Team for Gujarat Section. A respected academician and mentor, Dr. Chirag Paunwala welcomed the esteemed Chief Guest, Dr. Deepak Mathur, with great warmth and appreciation.

In his address, Dr. Chirag Paunwala highlighted the expansive and inclusive nature of IEEE Gujarat Section's efforts to promote growth not just in core technical domains but also in areas of professional development, interdisciplinary collaboration, and soft skill enhancement. He emphasized how the Section has been actively supporting a wide array of initiatives—from workshops and conferences to humanitarian and innovation-driven activities—encouraging holistic learning among students and professionals alike.

Further, Dr. Chirag Paunwala took a moment to recognize the dynamism of the IEEE SCET Student Branch, commending its enthusiastic members and leadership team for consistently organizing high-impact, student-led programs. He noted that such grassroots-level involvement is the true spirit of IEEE—empowering students to ideate, lead, and execute initiatives that matter.

In a motivating tone, Dr. Chirag Paunwala urged students to continue on this path of self-driven excellence, emphasizing that leadership begins not with titles but with initiative. His message reinforced the belief that students must not only participate in IEEE activities but also shape them, taking ownership of their learning journeys.



Keynote Address by Dr. Deepak Mathur, Vice President, IEEE MGA

In his keynote, Dr. Deepak Mathur delivered an inspiring and deeply insightful address, highlighting the wide-ranging benefits and opportunities that IEEE offers to its student and professional members across the globe. He emphasized that IEEE is not merely a technical organization, but a global platform that actively supports professional development, leadership grooming, interdisciplinary collaboration, and both technical and non-technical engagement. From funding opportunities to access to global research, IEEE provides an ecosystem where students can shape their interests into expertise.

Dr. Deepak Mathur encouraged students to use their curiosity and interests as a springboard for organizing activities. For instance, he noted that if a student has an inclination towards emerging fields like blockchain, they should actively initiate and organize events around that domain. This approach, he explained, not only enhances one's technical knowledge but also builds management, leadership, and collaborative skills, creating well-rounded professionals prepared for real-world challenges.

Dr. Deepak Mathur also shared his journey of growth and service within IEEE—beginning from the Gujarat Section, advancing to Chair of IEEE India Council, then Chair of IEEE Region 10, and eventually being elected as the Vice President of IEEE MGA. His story reflected a long-standing commitment to volunteerism, leadership, and meaningful contribution to the IEEE community.

In a profound message to the attendees, Dr. Mathur advised young professionals and students to value patience, perseverance, and quality in their journey. He emphasized that progress should not be rushed; instead, one should remain consistent, sincere, and dedicated at every step. With time and continued effort, the results and recognition will naturally follow. He encouraged the attendees to embrace the pace of their own path and to stay aligned with their values and purpose.





Felicitation and Certificate Distribution Ceremony

As part of recognizing excellence and commitment, the event also hosted a certificate distribution ceremony to honor three outstanding IEEE SCET SB ExCom members:

- Mr. Dhruvil Fulwala, awarded the *Ph.D. Forum Appreciation Award 2024*, was appreciated for his humanitarian vision and pivotal role in the branch's first SIGHT outreach initiative. As the Tech Head for multiple major events, he combined technical rigor with reliability and purpose.
- Ms. Shivangi Vyas, Chair in 2024, was acknowledged for establishing the SIGHT initiative at SCET, securing its first round of funding, and flawlessly coordinating *Seasonal School 2024*. Her volunteering at *ERTE 2023* further exemplified her leadership and commitment to IEEE's mission.
- Mr. Tej Desai, recognized for his quiet strength and behind-the-scenes leadership, served as the Co-Chair of SIGHT, led *ERTE 2023* coordination, and contributed significantly to photography and event documentation.

These awards were presented by Dr. Deepak Mathur, who commended each recipient for their consistent efforts and meaningful contributions to the IEEE community.









Interactive Q&A Session

Following this, the event moved into an interactive Q&A, where students had the unique opportunity to engage directly with Dr. Deepak Mathur. The conversation ranged across topics such as:

- Where and how to apply for IEEE funding for technical events or social impact projects.
- Balancing technical mastery with professional growth, including time management and effective delegation.
- How to leverage IEEE platforms to deepen expertise in a chosen area (e.g., conducting student-led events in blockchain, AI, or robotics).
- Suggestions for how students can grow within IEEE beyond college life.

Dr. Deepak Mathur responded to each query with clarity, empathy, and actionable advice, encouraging students to remain curious, community-focused, and committed to excellence. This was followed by words of encouragement and vote of thanks by Dr. Ketki Pathak, Branch Counsellor, IEEE SCET SB.







CONCLUSION:

The IEEE Meetup: LEADxIEEE – Leadership Engagement and Development Talk was a deeply enriching and inspiring event that blended mentorship, recognition, and student interaction. Through the powerful insights of Dr. Deepak Mathur and Dr. Chirag Paunwala, and the celebration of student contributions, the session showcased the vibrancy and vision of the IEEE ecosystem at SCET.

IEEE SCET SB continues to stand as a beacon of student-led excellence, where leadership is nurtured, innovation is celebrated, and community is built.

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