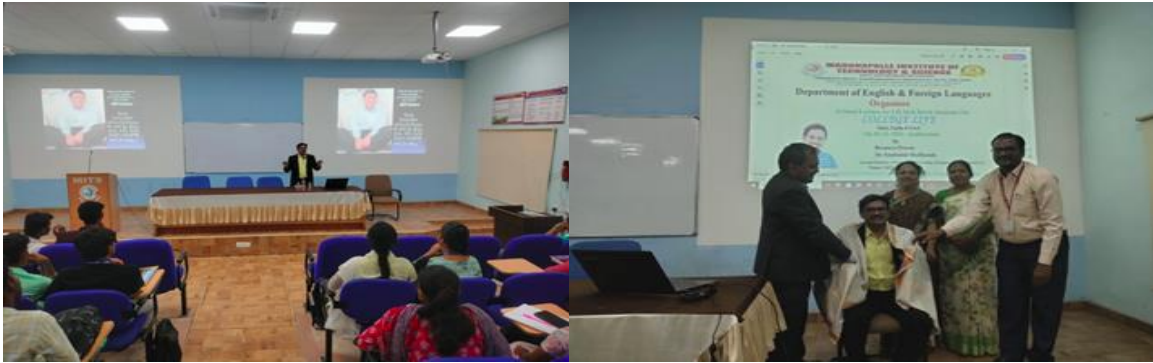


A Report on Guest Lecture
"College Life: Enjoy – Equip – Excel"
Organized by Department of English & Foreign Languages
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Resource Person Details: Dr. M. Sambaiah, Associate Professor, Department of Humanities & Basic Sciences, JNTUA College of Engineering (A) Pulivendula.

Time: 11:30 AM –1:00 PM and 3:20 PM to 5:00 PM.

Number of Students Participated: 500 (300 Boys & 200 Girls)

Mode of Conduct: Offline

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On November 4, 2024, the Department of English and Foreign Languages at Madanapalle Institute of Technology and Science (MITS), Madanapalle, organized a guest lecture titled “*College Life: Enjoy – Equip – Excel*” for the first-year B. Tech students, with Dr. M. Sambaiah, Associate Professor from JNTUA College of Engineering (A) Pulivendula, as the speaker. The session attracted around 500 students, eager to gain insights into maximizing their college experience, building essential skills, and striving for excellence in their chosen fields.

Dr. Sambaiah structured his presentation around the themes of *Enjoy*, *Equip*, and *Excel*. He began by stressing the importance of enjoying college responsibly, advocating for a balance between academics and extracurricular to build a strong future foundation. Moving on to *Equip*, he advised students on developing soft skills, time management, and critical thinking, using college resources like libraries and labs to build technical and domain knowledge. Finally, in *Excel*, Dr. Sambaiah motivated students to set high standards, sharing examples of successful individuals who thrived by combining diligence with skill-building. The lecture concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where students posed questions on managing stress, balancing academics and social life, and improving communication skills. Dr. Sambaiah addressed these questions thoughtfully, creating a supportive environment for students to share their concerns.

Dr. Ramanathan, Vice Principal (Academics), addressed the gathering, emphasizing the importance of using college life as a foundation for future growth while Dr. P Athahar, (HOD of E & FL) has praised the contents, content delivery and agility of the resource person. Finally, the resource person was facilitated by Dr. Ramanathan, Dr. P Athahar, Mr. C Purushotham, program coordinator. Faculty members from the English department also attended, encouraging student participation.

Outcomes of the Program:

- **Increased Student Engagement and Satisfaction:** Students are more engaged with college life, participate actively in events, and report a higher level of satisfaction with their overall college experience.
- **Improved Academic Performance:** Students demonstrate improved academic skills, resulting in better grades, higher retention rates, and stronger career prospects.
- **Stronger Interpersonal and Leadership Skills:** Students develop leadership abilities, enhance communication skills, and demonstrate effective collaboration in group settings.
- **Greater Self-awareness and Goal Setting:** Students have a clearer understanding of their personal and career goals, making informed decisions about their future.
- **Heightened Social Responsibility:** Students engage in community service activities, contributing positively to society and displaying a commitment to social causes and environmental sustainability.