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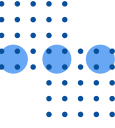
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Advancing Research,  
Healing Lives



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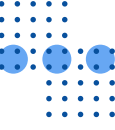
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The foundational guiding principle of  
Hope Foundation and Research Centre

“Poverty, luck, and lack of contacts are  
merely constraints people carry in their  
minds. If you start with a positive attitude,  
half the job is done”

**PRALHAD P CHHABRIA**



# ABOUT US

Hope Foundation and Research Centre (Hope Foundation) is a registered Public Charitable Trust / Society established by Late Shri Pralhad P. Chhabria in the year 1979 with the objective of rendering social services towards nation-building. Established under the auspices of the Finolex Group of Companies, Hope Foundation has been contributing to the field of higher education, medical assistance and research & development activities and is successfully accomplishing its societal objectives to the deserving communities across the country for over 44+ years.

## Vision

To create a sustainable world for future generations by promoting education and medical health, facilitating effective research, and accelerating progress through innovative collaborations

## Our mission

Hope Foundation and Research Centre is committed to educating aspiring youth and supporting social issues that will transform lives and communities

## Core Values

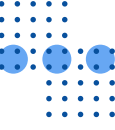
Foster enduring knowledge, civic and social responsibilities, leadership and personal growth within the environment in which every individual matters

Hold high standards of character and truthfulness as the foundation upon which our institutions are built

Embrace the diversity of all individuals, ideas, and expressions for both personal and institutional success







# Message from the **MANAGING TRUSTEE**

It is with immense pride that I share our institutions' remarkable achievements: I<sup>2</sup>IT has secured an 'A' grade in NAAC accreditation and FAMT has successfully accomplished the NBA accreditation.

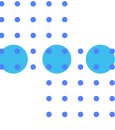
These accomplishments represent more than just ratings - they embody the spirit of innovation, dedication, and excellence that define us. Our journey has been illuminated by the brilliance of our faculty, the enthusiasm of our students, and the unwavering support of our community.

The trust has always envisioned creating spaces where minds are nurtured and futures are crafted with care. Today, as we celebrate these milestones, we remain committed to pushing boundaries in education, research, and industry collaboration.

To everyone who has contributed to this extraordinary journey - our talented faculty, dedicated staff, ambitious students, supportive families, and visionary partners - I extend my heartfelt gratitude. Together, we are not just building institutions; we are creating legacies of transformation and impact.



**Ms. Amrita M. Katara**  
Managing Trustee  
Hope Foundation and Research Centre



## Celebrating Academic Excellence: A Special Recognition



### Milestone Achievement: Our President's PhD Award

It is with immense pride that we announce our esteemed President, **Dr. Aruna Katara** has been awarded a PhD for her groundbreaking research titled "Study of Adaptive Educational Initiatives in Unaided Rural Engineering Institutes."

Her research delves into innovative strategies to enhance education quality in rural engineering institutions that operate without government support. By exploring adaptive teaching methods and student-centered initiatives, she has developed practical solutions to address the unique challenges faced by these institutions.

This achievement not only underscores our President's dedication to excellence but also reinforces our institution's commitment to impactful research. Her work holds the potential to transform engineering education in underserved regions and create opportunities for countless students.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our President on this remarkable accomplishment. Her success inspires all of us to strive for excellence and contribute meaningfully to education and society. We eagerly look forward to implementing her valuable findings.



YEAR  
2024

# A Year of Trust, Impact, and Growth

1

Team Hope Foundation Supports  
Safer Living for Orphaned Boys  
with Bunk Bed Initiative



2

Empowering Girls  
Through Education:  
Team Hope Foundation's Support  
for Ashray, Pune

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Spreading Warmth and Care:  
Essential Packages Distributed  
to Pune's Needy



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Supporting Change:  
Contributions to 12 Non-Profit  
Organizations

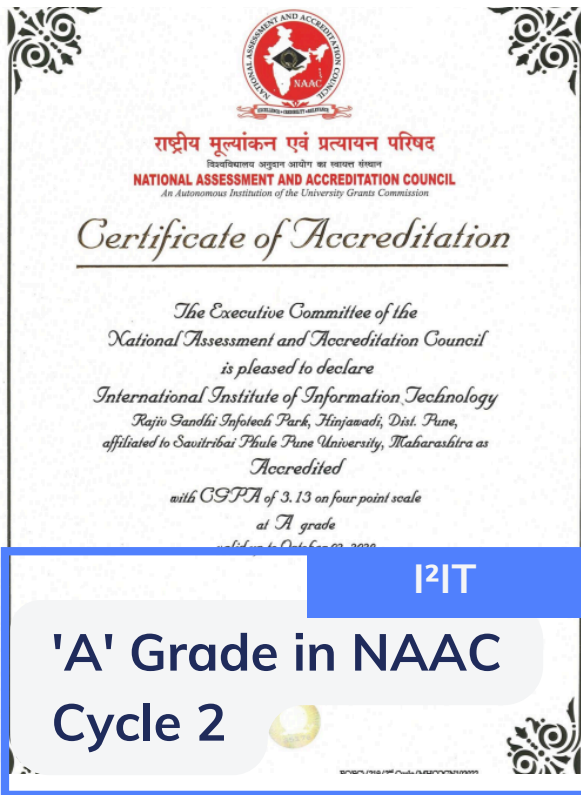


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Hope Foundation Supports  
Ewing's Sarcoma Treatment  
with Funding for Radiation  
Therapy



# Institutional Achievements



I2IT

**'A' Grade in NAAC  
Cycle 2**



FAMT

**NBA Accreditation:  
A Proud Milestone**

We are proud to share two significant milestones that underscore our institute's commitment to academic excellence and innovation:

## **NAAC A Grade Accreditation for I2IT**

The International Institute of Information Technology (I2IT) has been awarded an A Grade in NAAC Cycle 2. This achievement reflects the dedication, hard work, and collaborative efforts of the entire I2IT family. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our students, faculty, alumni, recruiters, parents, and stakeholders for their unwavering support, which has showcased the excellence of I2IT.

## **NBA Accreditation for FAMT**

Our institute, FAMT, has successfully achieved NBA accreditation for the Information Technology, Mechanical, and EXTC programs. This milestone enhances our reputation and opens greater opportunities for both students and faculty, while demonstrating our steadfast commitment to academic and institutional excellence.

Both achievements are a testament to the visionary leadership of our Founder President, Late Shri Pralhad P. Chhabria, whose legacy continues to inspire us. We remain committed to his dream of nurturing future leaders through innovation and education, as upheld by Dr. Aruna M. Katara and Ms. Amrita Katara.

Let us celebrate these accomplishments together and look forward to achieving even greater success in the future!



# Collaboration with ISRO

Advancing Space Technologies for Disaster Management



The International Institute of Information Technology (I<sup>2</sup>IT), in collaboration with Registered Engineers for Disaster Relief (RedR) India, successfully hosted a one-week advanced course titled "Space Technologies for Early Warning and Monitoring of Extreme Weather Events and Hydro-Met Disasters." This initiative was part of the Capacity Building in Space-Based Disaster Management Support Program (DMSP) led by the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS) and ISRO, Government of India.

## KEY HIGHLIGHTS

### Objective and Participation

The course aimed to advance Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), Climate Change Adaptation, and Public Policy Analysis. Out of 120+ applicants nationwide, 25 participants from premier institutions and government bodies such as NDMA, NIDM, IIT Roorkee, and AIIMS were selected.

### Inaugural Ceremony

Distinguished guests included Dr. R. Krishnan (IITM), Prof. N. Vinod Chandra Menon (NDMA), and Dr. Aruna M. Katara (Hope Foundation). These leaders emphasized the significance of integrating space technologies into disaster management.

### Course Structure

The program featured 20 sessions, six hands-on activities, and two fieldwork sessions, blending theoretical and practical knowledge. Topics covered included satellite meteorology, remote sensing, AI/ML applications in disaster forecasting, drone technology, and QGIS for flood mapping.

### Innovative Group Activity

Participants worked in teams to design end-to-end early warning systems for disasters such as floods, cyclones, and droughts. Teams presented their findings on the final day, showcasing practical applications of advanced geospatial tools and community-centric approaches.

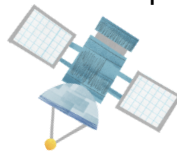
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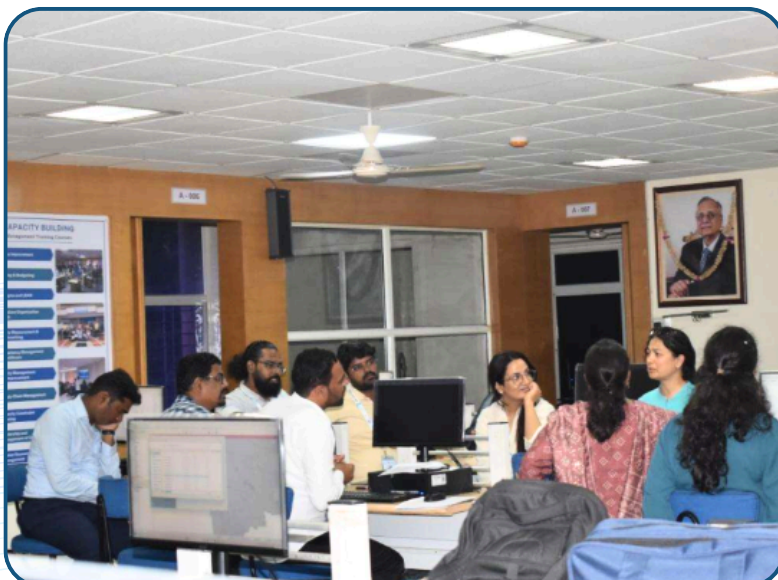
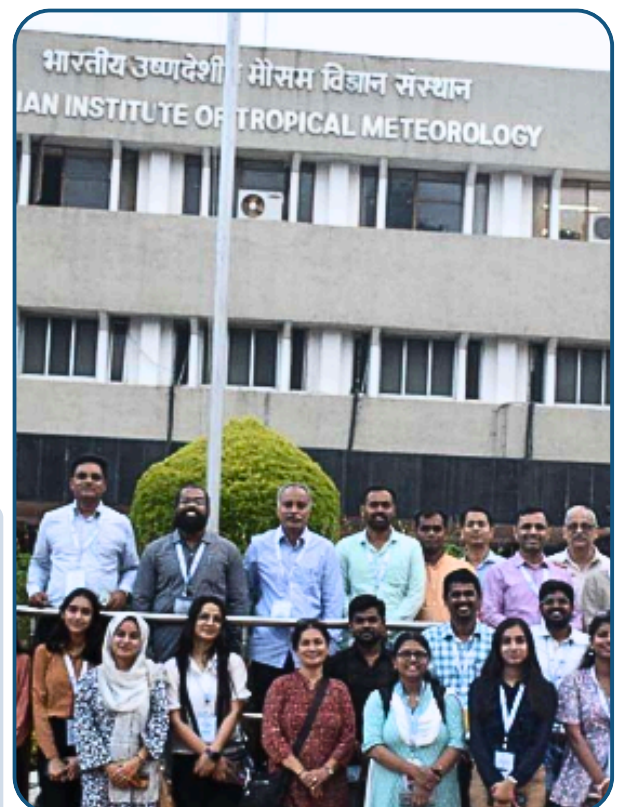
## Announcement of Climate Studies and Disaster Management Centre (CSDMC)

Dr. Aruna M. Katara announced the establishment of the Climate Studies and Disaster Management Centre (CSDMC) at I<sup>2</sup>IT. This center will focus on developing AI-powered early warning systems for extreme weather events, advancing anticipatory risk governance in line with the vision of the Late Shri Pralhad P. Chhabria, Founder and President of the Hope Foundation.

### KEY TAKEAWAYS

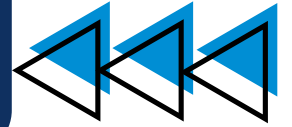


The course underscored the critical role of space technologies in disaster management, equipping participants with advanced skills to develop innovative solutions. By fostering collaboration between academia, government, and research institutions, I<sup>2</sup>IT and RedR India have set a benchmark in leveraging technology for climate resilience and disaster preparedness.





# INSTITUTIONAL RANKINGS & AWARDS



## FAMT

### Times of India

*131st position among Top 175 Engineering Colleges in India  
18th rank among Mumbai University Institutes  
21st rank at Maharashtra State level*

### Outlook iCare

*60th position among Top 160 Private Engineering Institutes  
9th position among Private Engineering College in Mah.*

### The Week (Hansa Research)

*170th position among All Engineering Colleges in India  
6th Rank among Mumbai University Institutes  
20th Rank among Private Engineering colleges in Mah.*

### India Today

*189th Rank at Today Best Engineering Colleges Rankings  
8th Rank among Mumbai University Institutes  
28th Rank at Maharashtra State level*

## I<sup>2</sup>IT

### Times of India

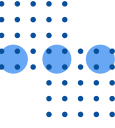
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18th position among Engineering Colleges in Pune  
15th position among Private Engineering Colleges in Pune*

### Outlook iCare

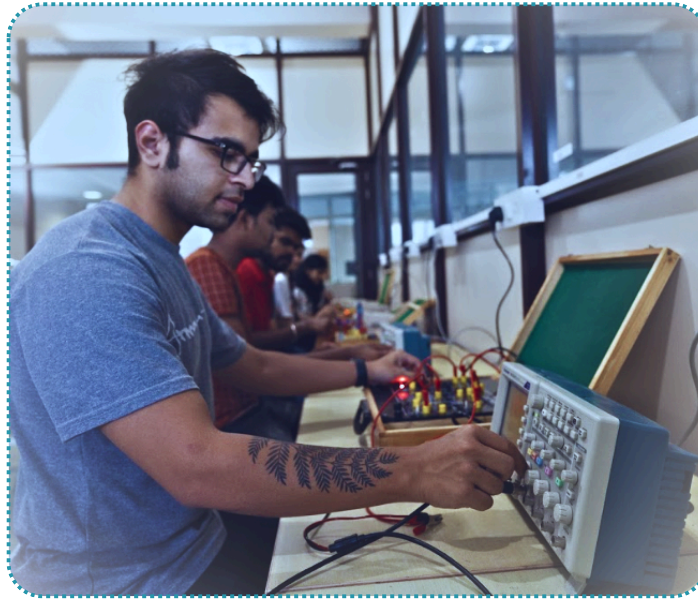
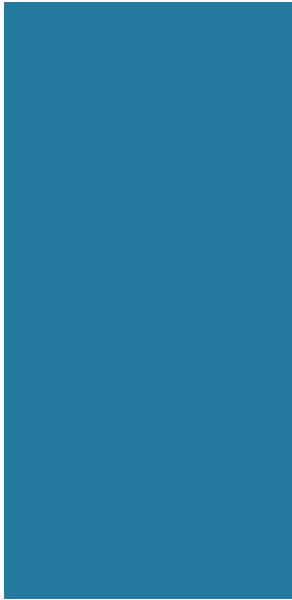
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14th position among Private Engineering College in Pune*

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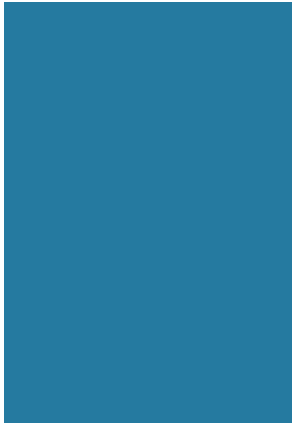


# Transformative *Ecosystems*



## OUR OBJECTIVE

## Education



Hope Foundation and Research Centre's educational institutions enrich student aspirants through diverse value-added courses and competitive events each academic year. These initiatives foster excellence, determination, and achievement, embodying the Foundation's core philosophy of holistic student development.





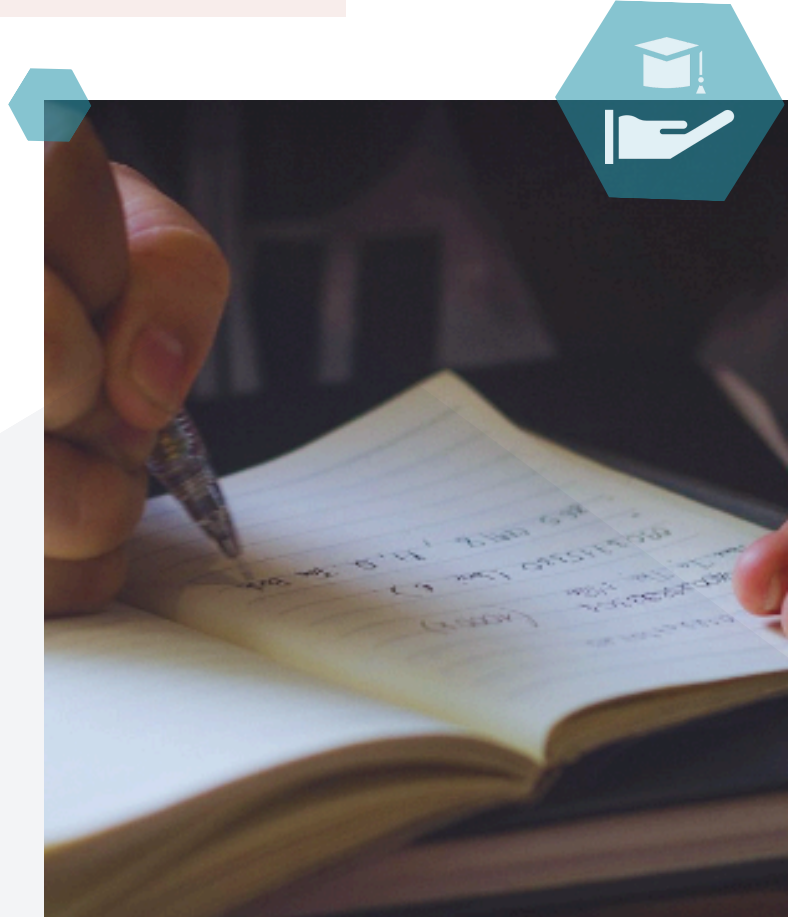
# Hope for Education

“Empowerment Through Education”

## Educational Fund

Financial Support for Students

Hope Foundation and Research Centre is proud to support the educational aspirations of students at Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya by providing financial assistance for tuition fees. This initiative aims to alleviate the financial burden on families, ensuring that deserving students have the opportunity to receive quality education and reach their full potential. By investing in their education, we are fostering a brighter future for these students and empowering them to achieve their dreams.



Mast. Shrikant Patil

**Rs. 14,042**

Ms. Phutak Bhume

**Rs. 16,485**

Mast. Sumesh Birje

**Rs. 9,500**

Ms. Tanvi Bhatkar

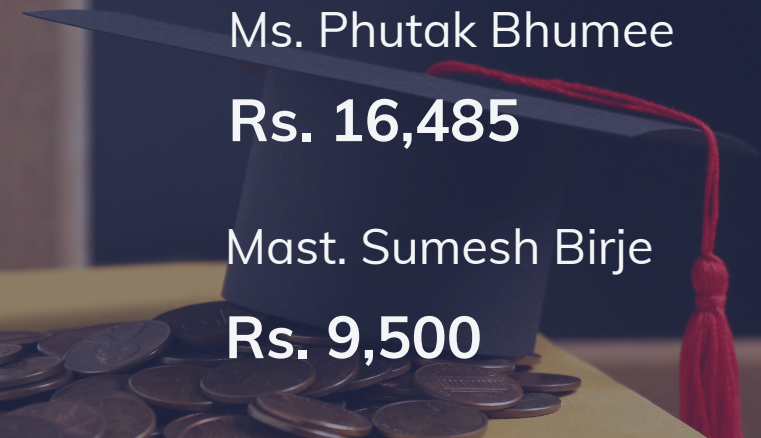
**Rs. 9,740**

Mast. Sarang Symalam

**Rs. 18,354**

Ms. Shravani Pawar

**Rs. 5,661**



# Mentoring Session



## 01 MY STORY: Idea to Impact

FAMT, in collaboration with IIC and IEDC, hosted a motivational session with Mr. Yogesh Mulye, CEO of Computer Concepts, Ratnagiri. He shared his journey of overcoming challenges and embracing innovation, inspiring students to think creatively and persevere. The session featured an engaging Q&A and networking opportunity, reinforcing FAMT's commitment to fostering entrepreneurship.

## 02 Fostering Innovation

Dr. Surojit Saha and the CEO of SchoolforAll conducted an interactive session for First-Year Engineering students at I<sup>2</sup>IT, discussing entrepreneurial opportunities, IIC's role in innovation, and career prospects in their company. The session concluded with a lively mouth organ performance of popular Hindi movie tunes.

## 03 Industry Readiness

I<sup>2</sup>IT in collaboration with the Placement Cell, hosted "Expectations of Core Industries from Freshers" with Mr. Umesh Gaikwad, Founder & CTO of IRAVAN Technologies. He shared key insights to help students align their skills with industry demands.

## 04 Empowering Through Knowledge

The Central Library of Finolex Academy of Management & Technology organized an "Awareness Program on NPTEL & Swayam" to educate students about the NPTEL and Swayam platforms. The session highlighted the available video lecture series, course offerings, and the significance of these resources in enhancing their education and overall learning experience.

## 05 Lean Start-up and MVP Workshop

FAMT organized an online session led by Mr. Sanjeev Mishra, CEO of STAENZ Academy, where 130 students explored lean start-up methodologies and strategies for creating Minimum Viable Products. Practical tools like Helium 10 and Google Trends were introduced, equipping students with essential entrepreneurial skills to thrive in today's dynamic business environment.

## 06 High-Performance Computing

The program at I<sup>2</sup>IT covered AI-DL machine setup, Docker, data management, and user account management. Participants explored advanced image/video processing with OpenCV, OpenGL, and CUDA, along with deep learning and ML on embedded boards, gaining key AI-DL skills.



# Technology & Innovation



## 01 Innovations in Solar Energy

FAMT students attended a technical session and field visit on solar energy. Mr. Rhishikesh Kondekar discussed advanced technologies like high-efficiency photovoltaic cells and solar water heaters. He also explained the PM Surya Ghar Yojana, covering subsidies, incentives, and the rooftop solar application process, fostering renewable energy awareness.

## 02 Astronomy Talk

The session by Mr. Arvind Paranjpe, Director of Nehru Planetarium, Worli, covered topics like Space Technology, Careers in Astronomy, Sky Gazing, Telescopes, and the Big Bang Theory. His insights inspired participants to explore astronomy and space sciences. The event seamlessly blended scientific knowledge with practical exploration, making it both educational and inspiring for all students of I<sup>2</sup>IT.

## 03 NICE Tech-Talk

Amish Agarwal, Senior Specialist Product Owner at NICE, delivered an insightful session on the latest trends in Blockchain Technologies at I<sup>2</sup>IT. The talk was followed by an engaging Quiz Program, adding an interactive element to the event.

## 04 Better English, Better Life

Dr. Shamika Agrawal, Regional Head - West India at ebek, discussed the Linguaskill assessment for English language proficiency and the CEFR levels offered by ebek under the theme of "Better English, Better Life at I<sup>2</sup>IT.

## 05 AI Awareness Program

A program on Artificial Intelligence (AI) was conducted for 9th and 10th-grade students at Damle School to raise awareness about AI technology. The students showed great interest, asking insightful questions, and received praise from Mr. Bhagwan Mote, the Headmaster. The session, attended by 55 students, ended with excellent feedback and an invitation for future informative sessions.

## 06 High-Performance Computing

The program included hands-on training on AI-DL machine setup, Docker usage, data management, and managing user accounts. Students also explored advanced image and video processing applications using OpenCV, OpenGL, and CUDA, along with demonstrations on deep learning models and machine learning on embedded boards, equipping attendees with essential skills for AI and deep learning advancements.



## 13 Global Hackathon Call For Code

Students of I²IT were invited to participate in the Call for Code hackathon, addressing global challenges like climate change and education using generative AI. They gained hands-on experience with IBM Watson AI tools, networked with industry experts from Persistent and IBM, and attended a session on watsonx. The competition offered \$50,000 USD in prizes, with winning solutions deployed globally, along with free training on the IBM watsonx platform.

## 14 Workshop on Safeguarding Your Research

FAMT organized a workshop titled "Safeguarding Your Research: How to Identify the Right Journals and Avoid Predatory Ones". The session focused on strategies for identifying reputable journals and avoiding predatory publications, empowering researchers to protect their work and enhance academic credibility.

The workshop saw active participation from 11 faculty members and 2 staff members.

## 15 Life Skills Programme

The Life Skills Training Programme organized in collaboration with Rubicon and Barclays, upskilled B.E. and MCA students in corporate readiness, soft skills, and interview techniques.

Sessions covered Interview Skills, Corporate Readiness, Group Discussions, and Online Profile Management through presentations, videos, and expert talks. Mock interviews provided hands-on experience with real-life corporate scenarios, ensuring comprehensive learning.

## 16 Entrepreneurship Challenge Competition

The Entrepreneurship Challenge Competition (ECC) 2023 saw the participation of 120 aspiring student entrepreneurs who presented 44 innovative business ideas across two tracks. These ideas spanned diverse fields, including payment innovations, health management, IoT-based solutions, and advanced surveillance systems.

## 17 Deep Dive into AI and its Application

I²IT organized a workshop on AI & its applications, led by Mr. Ankit Kumar from Design Tech System Pvt. Ltd., Pune. The session introduced MATLAB for AI & ML, covering algorithm development, data analysis, and model creation.

## 18 Session on Artificial Intelligence in Telecommunication

I²IT hosted an expert session on AI in Telecommunication with Mr. Gaurav Kumar Raut and Prof. Ashvini Kulkarni, focusing on network performance, AI-driven optimizations, and career opportunities in telecom. The session empowered students with industry-ready insights.





# Transformative Outreach

## *Empowering Communities*



## Community Outreach



Hope Foundation and Research Centre's community outreach initiatives aim to uplift underserved populations by providing essential resources, fostering inclusive development, and addressing critical social needs. These efforts reflect the Foundation's dedication to creating a compassionate, equitable, and empowered society.





01

### Expert Session on Stress Management and Motivation

An insightful Expert Session on Stress Management and Motivation was conducted for IT students, featuring Mrs. Kashmira Shinde, Founder and CEO of FUTURE BRIDGE. Mrs. Shinde, a renowned counselor, trainer, and consultant, served as the resource person for the session. Targeting second- and third-year IT students, the session had 83 participants.

### Anti-Ragging and Cyberlaws Awareness Program

FAMT organized the "CyberSafe Campus: Combating Ragging and Cyber Harassment" awareness program. Adv. Shirgaonkar spoke on laws related to ragging, POCSO, drunk driving, and cybercrime. Adv. Nandiwale urged students to follow healthy habits and warned against tobacco and cyber threats. ASI Temkar guided students on responsible behavior during college life.

02

Don't  
bully!  
Be a  
friend!

03

### International Anti-Drug Abuse Day

FAMT college organized a Slogan Writing Competition for its students on the occasion of 'International Anti-Drug Abuse Day 2024', held on 26th June 2024. The theme for the slogans was 'Say No to Drugs' or 'No Drugs'. The competition was conducted online in three languages: Marathi, Hindi, and English. A significant number of FAMT students actively participated in the event

### MERA PEHLA VOTE DESH KE LIYE

As part of the "Mera Pehla Vote Desh Ke Liye" campaign by AICTE, the NSS/SDO at IIT conducted a pledge campaign on campus to raise awareness about democracy, the significance of casting one's vote, and the right to vote. Students and faculty members enthusiastically participated, taking a collective oath to exercise their voting rights responsibly. The initiative aimed to empower first-time voters and highlight the importance of every vote in shaping the nation's future.

04



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# Societal Contributions



01

## Need of Sparrows & Environmental Awareness

Students from FAMT visited schools, engaging over 300 students through interactive sessions and a drawing competition on the theme 'Birds.' Around 200 students participated in the contest, supported by two local schools. The initiative, part of a global campaign led by the Nature Forever Society, aimed to promote urban bird conservation. The event successfully sparked environmental awareness and appreciation for sparrows among young minds.

## Waste Management

I²IT hosted a Poster Making Competition on Waste Management and Pollution Control for Second Year IT students as part of their audit course. The event aimed to foster awareness and creativity in addressing environmental issues. Participants showcased innovative posters, evaluated on creativity, teamwork, presentation, and Q&A performance. Top entries were awarded, reflecting students' thoughtful solutions and dedication to sustainability.



02

## Innovation and Start-up Policy of FAMT

Coordinated by Dr. Sandeep Chawda, the session covered policy objectives, eligibility, application procedures, resources, and startup benefits.

Dr. Chawda delivered a detailed presentation followed by an engaging Q&A session.

Prof. S. V. Jadhav shared his startup journey, highlighting the support received from FAMT and motivating faculty with real-life insights.



03

## Celebrating Freedom with Compassion

As part of the "Mera Pehla Vote Desh Ke Liye" campaign by AICTE, I²IT's NSS/SDO conducted a pledge drive to promote voter awareness and democratic participation. To celebrate the spirit of freedom, NSS and CII Yi members visited Mahatma Phule Apangshala in Maan Village, Hinjawadi. Students shared sweets and spent quality time with the children, spreading joy and warmth. The initiative aimed to inspire first-time voters and reflect the values of compassion, unity, and active citizenship.



04



## OUR MISSION:: SAVE EARTH, BREATHE GREEN



EK PED MA KE NAAM

FAMT

On 30th September 2024, Finolex Academy of Management and Technology (FAMT), Ratnagiri, hosted the "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" plantation program to raise environmental awareness. The event encouraged participants to honor their mothers by planting a tree in their name, symbolizing care and nurturing. A total of 23 volunteers, including staff and faculty, planted saplings across the campus, pledging to nurture them as a tribute to their mothers. The initiative emphasized environmental conservation and personal responsibility, leaving a lasting impact on all involved.

I<sup>2</sup>IT

### PLANTATION DRIVE

I<sup>2</sup>IT is delighted to share that, in collaboration with a dedicated social NGO, we successfully organized a tree plantation activity on Defence Land at Jawalkar Nagar, Pimpale Gurav, on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024. This initiative underscores I<sup>2</sup>IT's ongoing commitment to environmental conservation, highlighting our dedication to maintaining a green



campus and encouraging environmental awareness among team members and students. I<sup>2</sup>IT has always been conscientious about its role in preserving the environment.




*what we do....*

## Cleanliness Drive



The Swacchata Hi Seva campaign was successfully conducted at Finolex Academy of Management and Technology (FAMT), Ratnagiri, on 30<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024. This two-day event was part of the national initiative to promote cleanliness and hygiene in line with the Swachh Bharat Mission, inspired by Mahatma Gandhi's vision of a clean and self-reliant India.

A total of 23 volunteers actively participated, focusing on cleaning the campus and raising awareness about the importance of maintaining a clean and healthy environment.

On the first day, volunteers undertook a campus-wide cleanliness drive, cleaning various areas including corridors and outdoor spaces. The participants worked enthusiastically to create a cleaner, more organized environment by collecting and properly disposing of waste.

The second day emphasized waste reduction, recycling, and proper waste segregation. Volunteers also encouraged broader participation in the Swacchata Hi Seva movement, highlighting the importance of sustainable waste management practices.

The campaign successfully instilled a sense of responsibility among participants and reinforced the significance of cleanliness in everyday life. It was a valuable contribution to FAMT's ongoing efforts to promote environmental sustainability and hygiene, leaving a positive and lasting impact on the campus community.


*what we do....*

## NSS Residential Camp



**Construction of Dam by Volunteers**



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## Joy of Giving &amp; Sharing



GIVING WITH LOVE,  
SHARING WITH CARE,  
+ SPREADING JOY  
EVERYWHERE

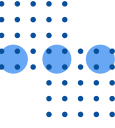


Our students visited Punaruttan Samarastha Gurukulam orphanage, where they experienced the inspiring efforts to support and empower orphaned children. The serene orphanage provides a nurturing environment with essentials like food, shelter, education, and a strong sense of community.

During the visit, students interacted with the children, learning about their dreams and witnessing their resilience despite hardships. The orphanage fosters talent development, life skills, and opportunities for growth through various programs.

We contributed essential items, including stationery and notebooks, as part of the visit. Additionally, Team Hope Foundation has supported the Inner Wheel Club of Pune Central's initiative for Prakash Grah orphanage by funding the construction of bunk beds, creating a safer and more comfortable living space for 75 orphaned boys in Yerawada, Pune.

This experience deeply impacted our students, fostering empathy, raising awareness of social issues, and inspiring involvement in meaningful initiatives.



# Transformative Care

## *Empowering Health and Wellness*



OUR OBJECTIVE

## Healthcare



Hope Foundation and Research Centre's healthcare initiatives focus on delivering accessible and compassionate medical services, fostering community well-being, and promoting health awareness. These efforts embody the Foundation's commitment to holistic care and the betterment of lives, ensuring a healthier and empowered society.



*what we do....***Healthcare****BLOOD DONATION CAMP****Kindness in Action****FAMT Blood Donation Camp**

The NSS Unit of Finolex Academy of Management and Technology (FAMT), in association with Civil Hospital, Ratnagiri, successfully organized a Blood Donation Camp to encourage voluntary blood donation and strengthen the local healthcare system. The event commenced with an inaugural ceremony, graced by esteemed guests Ms. Amrita Katara, Managing Trustee of Hope Foundation's

FAMT, Ratnagiri, and Mr. Dinanath Kholkar, who inspired participants with their motivational words on the importance of regular blood donation among students and the community. A dedicated organizing committee, comprising members from the NSS Unit of FAMT and Civil Hospital Ratnagiri, meticulously planned and coordinated the event. Awareness was raised through promotional efforts, including posters, flyers, and social media outreach. Volunteers were recruited and trained to assist with registration, donor screening, and logistical support, ensuring a smooth and efficient process. With 12 donors stepping forward to contribute blood, the event marked a meaningful step towards saving lives. The overwhelming positive feedback from donors, volunteers, and faculty highlighted the success of the initiative, reinforcing the importance of fostering a culture of regular blood donation.

**I<sup>2</sup>IT****Free Health Checkup and Blood Donation Camp**

With the support of the Mukul Madhav Foundation, the NSS Unit of I<sup>2</sup>IT organized a Free Health Checkup Camp with Bharati Hospital and a Blood Donation Camp with Aditya Birla Hospital.

The health camp provided essential screenings and consultations, while the blood donation drive strengthened local healthcare support. These initiatives reinforced I<sup>2</sup>IT's commitment to community well-being and health awareness, making a meaningful impact. Both initiatives successfully delivered vital health services while fostering a culture of social responsibility and well-being.

*what we do....*

## Healthcare



## MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

## Empowering Lives Through Compassion



The Hope Foundation and Research Centre believes in the transformative power of kindness. As part of our mission to support those in need, we have provided financial assistance of ₹2 Lakhs to Mr. Yash Mishra, an 18-year-old battling Ewing's Sarcoma. This support has enabled him to undergo treatment at Dr. Balabhai Nanavati Hospital, Mumbai.

After successfully completing chemotherapy, Yash now requires radiation therapy to continue his recovery journey.

This initiative exemplifies the profound impact of collective generosity and our unwavering commitment to improving lives through compassionate action.

## Supporting Lives in Need

Hope Foundation and Research Centre has reaffirmed its dedication to helping those in need by extending crucial financial support to Mr. Laxman Jagtap, a 47-year-old fighting Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS).

Currently undergoing treatment at Sahyadri Super Speciality Hospital Nagar Road, Pune, Mr. Jagtap requires an urgent Allogeneic Stem Cell Bone Marrow Transplant to address his critical condition.

Recognizing the immediacy of his need, the Hope Foundation and Research Centre has stepped in to provide essential financial assistance, easing the burden of his medical expenses, including the cost of this life-saving procedure. This effort underscores the Foundation's commitment to delivering hope and healing to individuals facing challenging health battles.







### Financial Support for Mast. Shravan Lokare's Bone Marrow Transplant



In the spirit of compassion and commitment to community well-being, financial assistance was extended to Mast. Shravan Lokare, a young child in urgent need of a bone marrow transplant at Narayana Hrudayalaya Hospital, Mumbai. This crucial support was provided to ensure that Shravan could receive the necessary medical treatment without the burden of financial constraints, offering his family relief during an incredibly challenging time. Diagnosed with Thalassemia major, a severe blood disorder requiring a bone marrow transplant for long-term survival, Shravan's case was critical.

The procedure, both complex and expensive, posed significant financial challenges for his family. Recognizing the urgency and importance of this life-saving treatment, financial aid was provided to ease the economic burden and enable the best possible medical care.

This initiative highlights the unwavering commitment to supporting individuals in need of critical healthcare, ensuring that financial limitations do not stand in the way of life-saving treatments. By extending this aid, hope was restored for Shravan and his family, reinforcing the belief that together, we can create meaningful change and transform lives.

### Kidney Transplant Assistance: Extending Hope and Saving Lives



Financial assistance was extended to Mr. Sandesh Dilip Teke and Mr. Shahnawaj Bisamilla Shah to support their kidney transplant treatment. This initiative aims to provide them with the necessary resources to undergo the life-saving procedure, helping to alleviate the financial burden associated with the treatment. The support highlights a commitment to assisting individuals in need of critical medical care, ensuring they have access to essential health services for a better quality of life.





## COMMITTED TO BETTER VISION

In association with Moolani's Eye Care Centre, Pune, Hope Foundation continues its commitment to reducing preventable blindness through various eye care initiatives.

This year, Moolani's Eye Care Centre (MECC) conducted eye camps and surgeries focusing on cataracts, glaucoma, pterygium, and corneal procedures for individuals across all age groups.



Medical assistance was provided to Moolani's Eye Care Centre for the purchase of an Auto Refractometer Machine to enhance screening for school children and socially disadvantaged communities.

The Trust is providing remuneration to the Retainer – Patient Coordinator/Social Worker, who has been working under the guidance of Trustee Dr. Samita Moolani to assist underprivileged patients with cataract surgeries.

### Supporting Social Impact Through Grants

The Trust also contributed to SVP in support of its mission to provide grants to not-for-profit organizations dedicated to creating a positive social impact. This initiative aligns with our commitment to fostering meaningful change and empowering communities.



# PRALHAD P CHHABRIA AWARDS

Hope Foundation in association with the IEEE India Council and Women In Engineering Affinity Group, IEEE Pune Section has instituted the Pralhad P. Chhabria Awards from the year 2017, in memory of Late Shri Pralhad P Chhabria, Founder President, Hope Foundation. These awards applaud young women for their achievements in undergraduate science / engineering college and/or professional arena.

## Award Categories & Prizes

### Award Category – 1 BEST WOMAN PROFESSIONAL (EARLY CAREER)

Young female students who are in their final year of undergraduate studies (Science, Engineering, Technology) – Winner (Rs. 1,25,000/-) and Runner Up (Rs. 50,000/-)

### Award Category – 2 Encouragement Prize under the Best Graduate Student category

Young women who are in the early stage of their career (Research, Industry, Academia)

In addition to the prize money, each award winner and runner-up received a medal and a citation sponsored by the Hope Foundation and Research Centre

### Winners of 2024

#### Best Woman Professional



Dr. Twinkle Tripathy



Dr. Jaya Jha



Dr. Revathy Padmanabhan



G. Pooja



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#### Encouragement Prize

# Social Associations & Donors

## Social Associations



Natarajan Education Society



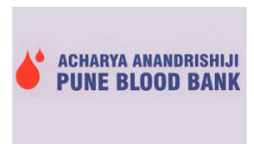
Paraplegic Rehabilitation Center  
Khadki



Lalla Charitable Trust



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Foundation  
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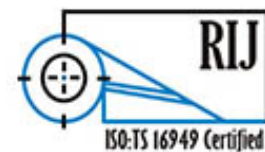


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## Individual Donors

Dr ARUNA KATARA

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## HOPE FOUNDATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE

CONSOLIDATED INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

SCHEDULE IX [VIDE RULE 17 (1)] OF THE MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC TRUSTS ACT, 1950

EXPENDITURE	SCHEDULE	RUPEES	RUPEES	INCOME	SCHEDULE	RUPEES	RUPEES
TO EXPENDITURE IN RESPECT OF PROPERTIES	8 A	2,54,43,957	-	BY RENT	9 A		5,26,07,600
TO ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES	8 B	96,83,859	-	BY INTEREST ON DEPOSITS	9 B		1,95,77,665
TO EXPENDITURE IN RESPECT OF HOSTELS	8 C	2,77,58,068	-	BY DIVIDEND	9 C		91
TO REMUNERATION (IN THE CASE OF A MATH)		-	-	BY DONATIONS	9 D		1,31,69,400
TO LEGAL EXPENSES		23,30,377	-	BY GRANTS			71,000
TO AUDIT FEES		1,84,029	-	BY INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES	9 E		29,27,68,079
TO CONTRIBUTION AND FEES		-	-	BY TRANSFER FROM RESERVE			-
TO MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE WRITTEN OFF DURING THE YEAR		-	-	BY DEFICIT CARRIED OVER TO BALANCE SHEET			-
TO MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES		-	-				
TO DEPRECIATION	8 D	3,12,98,356	-				
TO INTEREST ON TERM LOAN	8 E	-	-				
TO AMOUNTS TRANSFERRED TO RESERVE AND SPECIFIC FUNDS		-	-				
TO EXPENDITURE ON OBJECTS OF THE TRUST	8 F						
(a) Educational			37,49,48,343				
(b) Medical Relief			12,92,000				
			37,62,40,343				
TO SURPLUS CARRIED OVER TO BALANCE SHEET			19,53,491				
TOTAL			37,81,93,834				37,81,93,834

This is the Income and Expenditure Account referred to in our report of even date

For and on behalf of

P.G. BHAGWAT LLP

Chartered Accountants

FNN 101118W/W100682

Pune &amp; Kulkarni

Partner

Membership No. - 138855

Place : Pune

Date : September 02, 2024



For HOPE FOUNDATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE

PRESIDENT

TRUSTEE

TRUSTEE





FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS ON MARCH 31, 2024  
SCHEDULE VIII [VIDE RULE 17 (1)] OF THE MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC TRUSTS ACT, 1950

12AB Registration Number: AATH0698BE19802

BPT Registration No. F - 1425 (Pune)

FUNDS & LIABILITIES	SCHEDULE	RUPEES	RUPEES	PROPERTY AND ASSETS	SCHEDULE	RUPEES	RUPEES
TRUST FUNDS OR CORPUS			44,07,212	IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (at cost)			
Balance as per last Balance Sheet		-		Land	2		3,79,14,607
Additions / Adjustments during the year		44,07,212.00		Other Fixed Assets	2		42,33,94,815
EDUCATION RESERVE			54,29,64,815	Capital Work In Progress	3		1,83,907
OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS				INVESTMENTS	4		1,369
(Created under the provisions of the trust deed or scheme or out of the income)				ADVANCES	5		
Scholarship Fund				Sundry Advances		33,23,882	
Balance as per last Balance Sheet		25,05,423		Deposits		63,89,608	
Additions during the year		-		Other Assets		1,53,78,450	2,50,91,949
Less: Scholarships & Prizes		25,05,423		INCOME OUTSTANDING	6		13,57,95,882
Alumni Association Fund		-		CASH AND BANK BALANCES	7		30,98,78,862
Sponsor a Student Scheme (FC)		1,03,120	26,08,550	MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE ( to the extent not written off or adjusted)			
TERM LOAN FROM BANK							
LIABILITIES	1						
For Expenses		3,57,84,946					
For Advances		2,70,54,072					
For Sundry Credit Balances		71,45,084	6,99,84,102				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT							
Balance as per last Balance sheet :		31,03,43,222					
Add /(less) : Prior Period Adjustments		-					
Add /(less) : Surplus / (Deficit) during the year:		19,53,491	31,22,96,713				
			93,22,61,391				93,22,61,391

This is the Balance Sheet referred to in our report of even date

The above Balance Sheet to the best of my /our belief contains a true account of the Funds and Liabilities and of the Property and Assets of the Trust.

For and on behalf of  
P.G. BHAGWAT LLP  
Chartered Accountants

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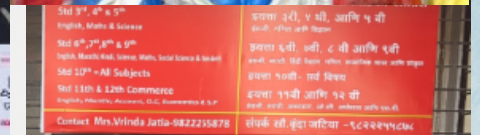
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