



**Vidya Pratishthan's  
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**IEEE Student Branch VPCOE Baramati**

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**Report**

**on**

**“Inaugural Program of VPCOE IEEE Women in  
Engineering Student Branch Affinity Group”**

**24<sup>th</sup> August, 2015**

**Venue:** VIIT Auditorium, VPCOE Baramati

Organized by  
**IEEE Student Branch, VPCOE Baramati**

Submitted by  
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**Program Schedule**

09:00 am to 09:15 am	Welcome and Saraswati Vandana
09:15 am to 09:30 am	Video on Contributions of Women in various fields
09:30 am to 09:45 am	Introduction of Guests and Felicitation
09:45 am to 10:00 am	Brief report on IEEE and its activities at VPCOE by Prof. Dhondiram Kakre
10:00 am to 10:15 am	About WIE and its activities at VPCOE by Prof. Jyoti Sadalage
10:15 am to 10:30 am	Address by Dr. S. B. Deosarkar
10:30 am to 11:30 am	Talk on Scope for Women in Engineering fields by Dr. Annuradda Ganesh
11:30 am to 12:30 pm	Talk on Life at Cummins for Women Engineers by Dr. Veenaranjini Manjunath
12:30 pm to 12:50 pm	Discussion and Q & A session
12:50 pm to 01:00 pm	Vote of Thanks by Prof. Gyankamal Chajjed

### **Brief Report**

The IEEE Student Branch at Vidya Pratishthan's College of Engineering Baramati received the approval to form IEEE Women in Engineering student branch Affinity Group on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2015. To start with the activities, we planned to organize the formal inauguration program. Dr. Anuradda Ganesh and Dr. Veenaranjini Manjunath both from Cummins India Private Limited were invited as Guests.

Dr. Anuradda Ganesh spoke about Life of Women Engineer's and scope for Women in Engineering fields. She shared her life experiences from Childhood to Graduation and regarding her career transition from Academics to Industry. She was former Head of Energy Science Department at IIT Bombay.

Dr. Veenaranjini Manjunath spoke about various research projects she worked at Cummins and Life at Cummins for Women Engineers. She shared regarding her experience working with ISRO and Cummins India Pvt. Ltd.

#### **About Speakers:**

##### **Dr. Anuradda Ganesh**

Currently Director, Product Engineering, Cummins India Pvt. Limited, Pune and Former Head, Department of Energy Science and Engineering at IIT Bombay.



A Chemical Engineer by discipline and has spent a major portion of professional career in teaching and in research in the energy sector, in particular, bio-energy. Prof. Ganesh is leading the research team on Underground Coal Gasification (UCG) and has also established the UCG Lab at IIT Bombay. This is the only Lab for UCG in the country. She has also established Cummins Engine Research Facility which is dedicated exclusively to the development of engine for bio-fuels. Her research focus has been on UCG, Engine development for alternate fuels, CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration, fuel cells and thermochemical conversion of biomass. She has two patent applications pending, has received several prestigious awards and authored several papers and a book.

**Dr. Veenaranjini Manjunath**

Currently Director, Research and Development, Cummins India Pvt. Limited, Pune.

Veenaranjini is a mechanical engineer and has done her Ph.D from Indian Institute of Science Bangalore. She worked with the Indian Space Research Organization for 20 years in various capacities and later with the Indian corporate engineering service Industry such as HCL, Satyam, Wipro and Geometric various roles such as Technology head, Delivery Head, Solution head, Practice Head. She has published over 50 papers and has authored 2 patents. She is a recipient of several awards.

**Event Photograph**