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One-day workshop on

'Transforming Teaching'

MASTERING PUBLIC SPEAKING AND AI STRATEGIES FOR EDUCATORS

Date: 5th November, 2025

Timings: 9 am onwards

Title of the event: 'TRANSFORMING TEACHING'- MASTERING PUBLIC

SPEAKING AND AI STRATEGIES FOR EDUCATORS

Target audience: External Participants and In-house faculty

Venue: Chanakya Seminar Hall, Amar Hemu Kalani Block

Organized by: New Horizon College in Association with IQAC

Faculty Coordinator: Ms. Kokila M S

About the Workshop

The One-Day Workshop on "Transforming Teaching- Mastering Public Speaking and AI Strategies for Educators" was organized with the objective of equipping participants with both Public Speaking Skills and AI-driven technological competencies essential for 21st-century educators and learners. The event was structured to empower faculty members, research scholars, and students to communicate more effectively and to integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI)-driven methodologies into teaching and learning practices.

The workshop commenced with an inaugural session with a keynote address by Dr. Uma Reddy, Professor, Department of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, New Horizon College of Engineering, attended by faculty members, academicians, and students from various reputed institutions across Bengaluru. It reflected New Horizon College's continued commitment to fostering academic excellence, professional growth, and innovation in education.

The workshop was divided into two major sessions — the first focusing on **Public Speaking Skills**, and the second emphasizing **AI Strategies in Education**. Both sessions were interactive, insightful, and designed to ensure active engagement and practical understanding through hands-on demonstrations.

The first session on *Public Speaking* was conducted by **Col. T.N.C. Vijayasarathi, VSM**, Consultant, Jain University, Bengaluru, and the second session focused on the role of **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** in reshaping teaching and learning practices was conducted by **Dr. Sreejith S** and **Dr. Akshatha P.S.**, Associate Professors, Department of AIML, New Horizon College of Engineering. About 99 participants registered that includes faculties, students and research scholars from other institutions.

Session I: The Art of Public Speaking

The first session, titled "Mastering the Art of Public Speaking," was conducted by Col. T. N. C. Vijayasarathi, VSM, Consultant at Jain University, Bengaluru.

The speaker highlighted the significance of **effective communication as a leadership tool** and provided valuable insights on crafting powerful speeches. He elaborated on key aspects such as:

- Constructing impactful openings and compelling closings for speeches,
- Understanding the principles and benefits of public speaking,
- Developing clarity, confidence, and credibility as a speaker,
- Mastering body language, tone modulation, and audience engagement, and
- The criteria for evaluating an effective public speaker.

Col. Vijayasarathi emphasized that public speaking is not merely a performative skill but an essential component of professional and personal success. His interactive approach encouraged participants to reflect on their own communication styles, while several volunteers practiced short speeches and received constructive feedback. The session was highly appreciated for its practical orientation, motivational content, and emphasis on self-expression.

Session II: AI Innovation in Education

The second session, titled "AI Strategies for Educators," was conducted by **Dr. Sreejith S** and **Dr. Akshatha P.S.**, Associate Professor, Department of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, New Horizon College of Engineering.

The session introduced participants to a wide array of AI-powered educational tools and demonstrated their relevance in modern pedagogy. The tools discussed included Curipod AI, Diffit, NotebookLM, Elicit, Napkin, Perplexity, Kialo, QuestionWell, Ideogram, MagicSlides, Dream Machine (Luma AI), Canva, EdPuzzle, SoCreative, and Plickers.

The resource persons provided live demonstrations of how these platforms can be used to:

- Design interactive and visually engaging lesson plans,
- Generate AI-driven learning resources and assessments,
- Personalize learning experiences based on student data,
- Enhance research productivity and publication quality, and

• Foster creative and critical thinking through AI-assisted activities.

The session emphasized the importance of adopting AI literacy in academia, aligning with the global shift toward digital transformation in education. Participants were given hands-on exposure to selected tools, enabling them to explore their functionality and classroom applications.

Objectives of the Workshop

- 1. To build confidence and enhance effective public speaking skills.
- 2. To enable participants to master effective body language for confident and professional public speaking.
- 3. To explore innovative ways to reshape teaching methodologies through AI.
- 4. Turn ordinary contact into an interactive experience with the power of AI.

Outcomes of the Workshop

The workshop proved to be a transformative experience for all participants. The first session strengthened participants' understanding of persuasive communication and presentation dynamics, while the second session expanded their technological horizon by demonstrating how AI can be a powerful ally in education.

Participants expressed that the program helped them overcome stage fright, structure their communication with clarity and confidence, and adopt AI tools to simplify and enrich classroom practices. The hands-on approach allowed for active learning, and the discussions fostered a spirit of collaboration and innovation.

The event concluded with a **valedictory session**, where participants shared positive feedback and expressed gratitude to the management, principal, coordinators, and resource persons for organizing a well-structured, enlightening, and professionally enriching workshop.



Glimpse of Inaugral Session by Dr. Uma Reddy and Group picture with the participants



Resource Person Col. T. N. C. Vijayasarathi, Dr. Sreejith S and Dr. Akshatha P. S during the session

Workshop Coordinator (Ms. Kokila M S)

IQAC Coordinator (Mr. Arun Raghu Babu)