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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Greetings!

As we step into 2025, I am delighted to share the exciting initiatives that eMERG is championing to empower our entrepreneurial community. Our flagship platform, **CICA (Cart in Corporate & Apartments)**, continues to provide members with valuable opportunities to showcase their products, build meaningful connections, and expand their reach within corporate and residential spaces.

To further strengthen business growth, we encourage active engagement with our **Amulya Digi Mart e-marketplace**, recognizing that a robust digital presence is key to visibility, scalability, and sustained success.

In addition, we are proud to introduce and continue strategic programs that amplify member impact: the **iPreneur Program** for nurturing entrepreneurial talent, **FLLN Connect** for fostering collaborative networking, to broaden partnerships and market access. The **TAARA Exhibition**, a dedicated platform to highlight and promote women-led and MSME enterprises.

I extend my congratulations to **Ms. Uma Reddy**, our Founder President, as eMERG proudly marks a historic milestone—she has become the **first woman President of FKCCI in its 108-year history**. This is a moment of immense pride for our community and a testament to the power of women leadership.

These initiatives and achievements reflect our unwavering commitment to innovation, collaboration, and growth. By creating meaningful opportunities and digital avenues, we aim to empower our members to thrive in a rapidly evolving business landscape. Together, let us innovate, connect, and grow as a community.

Warm regards,
Radhika Setty
President, eMERG

FROM **THE EDITOR**



Dear Readers,

As we continue to honour and uplift the remarkable achievements of women in business; I am proud to be part of this thriving and inspiring community. Our magazine is dedicated to celebrating the creativity, innovation, and success of women entrepreneurs, while offering practical insights, resources, and inspiration for every stage of their journey.

Each issue brings you powerful stories, lessons, and collaborations from women who are shaping the business world with courage and vision. Together, we will foster growth, connection, and empowerment for all our members.

To our valued community: share your experiences, inspire others, and engage with this network of extraordinary women. Let us unite to celebrate leadership that transforms, empowers, and honours the achievements of women entrepreneurs everywhere.

ENABLING WOMEN, ENHANCING LEADERSHIP!

Happy Reading,
Dr Karthiyayini Priya



JANUARY TO MARCH 2025

Toast to 2025



eMERGians welcomed 2025 with “Toast to 2025,” held on January 18 at Green path, Malleswaram, Bengaluru, bringing together 54 participants for a vibrant “Meet & Greet” celebration. The well-curated program blended business insights, mentorship, wellness, and fun. President Ms. Radhika Setty highlighted eMERG’s mission and key initiatives, followed by Vice President Ms. Pratibha Nakil’s address on collaboration and growth, including the launch of the eMERG Accelerator Program with VKF. A mentoring talk by Mr. Kishor Jagirdar and the MoU signing strengthened partnerships, while Ms. Shalu Chawla’s wellness session and engaging activities enhanced networking. Supported by SIDBI and Count on Us Family Salon, the event set a strong foundation for an empowered and collaborative 2025.

Discussion on the Union Budget 2025

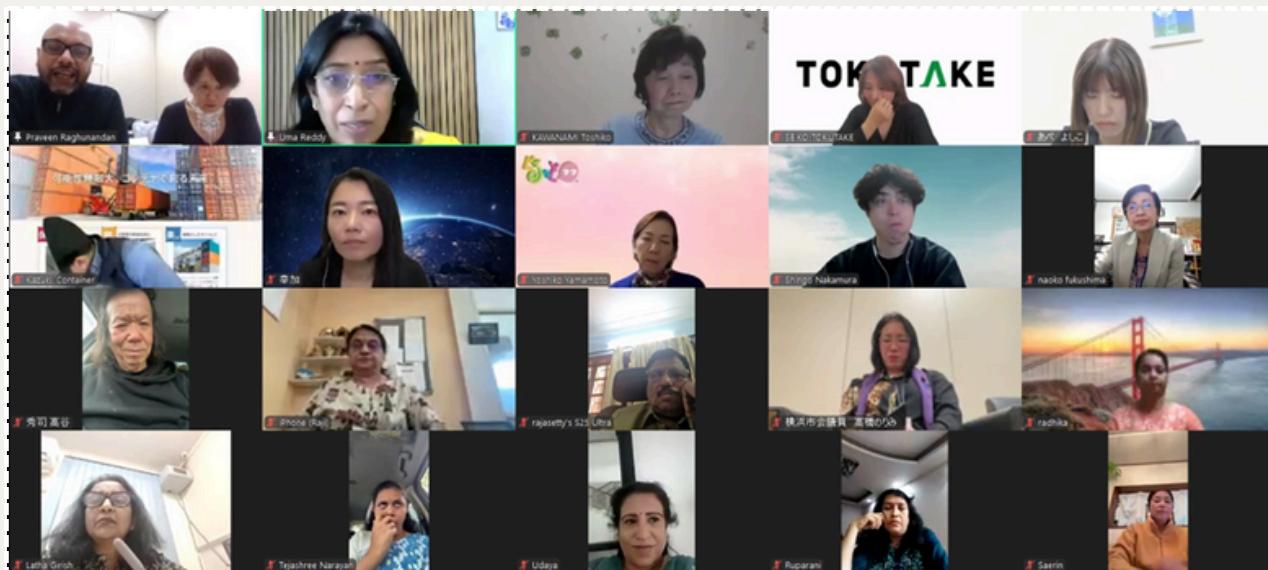


The Union Budget 2025-26 introduced several initiatives aimed at empowering women entrepreneurs in India:

- Rs 2 Crore Loan Scheme for First-Time Women Entrepreneurs***
- Customized Credit Cards for Micro-Enterprises***
- Enhanced Support for Nutritional Programs**

On 28th February 2025, eMERG conducted a Centre of Excellence webinar on “Discussion on the Union Budget 2025,” with participation from members, non-members, and students from Belgaum. The session featured an insightful analysis of the Interim Budget by eMERG member Dr. Triveni P, Professor at Ramaiah Institute of Management.

Online Interaction meeting with the Japanese Women Forum



President Ms. Radhika Setty and Founder President Ms. Uma Reddy participated in an online interaction meeting with the Japanese Women Forum, organized by FKCCI, Bengaluru, on 12 March 2025. The session focused on fostering cross-cultural collaboration, women leadership, and opportunities for business and entrepreneurial partnerships between India and Japan.

Global Investors Meet – Invest Karnataka 2025



During the Global Investors Meet – Invest Karnataka 2025, held on 12 February 2025 at Bangalore Palace, Bengaluru, President Ms. Radhika Setty and Vice President Ms. Pratibha Nakil met with the Consul General of Australia, Ms. Hillary, and Commissioner Ms. Michelle. The interaction opened avenues to explore trade and collaborative opportunities with eMERG. The event was graced by Ms. Shobha Karandlaje, Hon'ble Minister of State for MSME, Government of India, and Founder President Ms. Uma Reddy, marking an important milestone in international engagement.

APRIL TO JUNE 2025

eMERG | iPreneur Accelerator Program | 5th April 2025



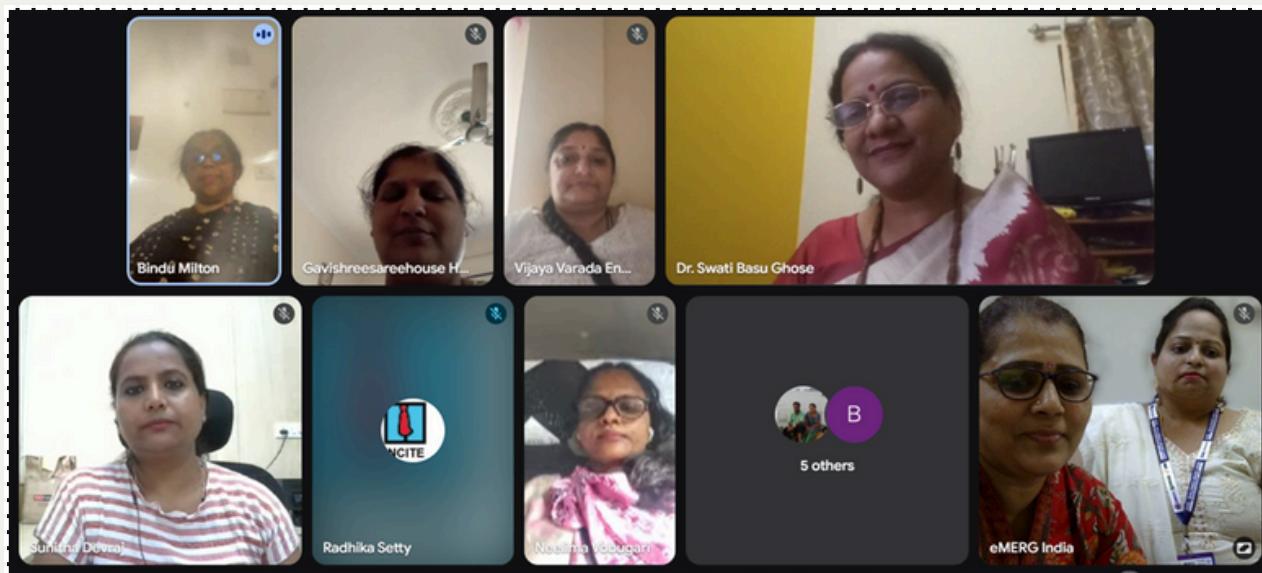
The iPreneur Accelerator Program, an exclusive initiative by eMERG in collaboration with the Vision Karnataka Foundation (VKF), was successfully conducted on 5 April 2025 at The Presidenta Hotel, Kumarakrupa Road, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Designed to empower women entrepreneurs, the day-long program focused on business scaling, leadership development, mentorship, and strategic growth. Participants benefited from expert-led sessions, interactive discussions, and valuable networking opportunities, fostering collaboration and confidence among women-led enterprises. The program reaffirmed eMERG and VKF's commitment to strengthening the entrepreneurial ecosystem by enabling women entrepreneurs to grow, innovate, and lead sustainably.

India MSME Conclave 2025.



The Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FKCCI), in collaboration with KASSIA and PIA, have organized the India MSME Conclave 2025 from May 30 to June 1 at Tripura Vasini, Palace Grounds, Bengaluru. The conclave brings together MSMEs, industry leaders, and policymakers to discuss innovation, growth, and opportunities in the MSME sector. The event featured exhibitions, expert-led sessions, and networking opportunities aimed at strengthening India's MSME ecosystem.

Meet and Greet



The eMERG Online Meet and Greet was held on 30 May 2025 (3.00–5.00 pm). The session began with a welcome by Ms Nityashree, Joint Secretary, followed by the President's address by Ms Radhika Setty. Business promotions were presented by Ms Geethanjali A R (Crazy Crochet) and Ms Vasudhara Prasad (Vijaya Varada Enterprises). Members then gave 30-second elevator introductions, leading into interactive networking and impactful for strengthening the eMERG community.

WOW EVENT from UBUNTU



The 5th Edition of the WOW (Women of Worth) National Event was held on 4th June 2025 at Hotel Taj Vivanta, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru, organized by the UBUNTU Consortium in collaboration with ABWCI, Government of Karnataka. The event brought together women leaders and entrepreneurs from across India to celebrate achievements, share insights on leadership and empowerment, and encourage collaboration and networking.

eMERG | FLLN 9.0 | 26th JUNE 2025



The 9th edition of eMERG's flagship event – “Celebration of Womanhood”, themed “Forging Links, Leveraging Networks, Reaching Out,” was successfully held on 26th June 2025 at Hotel Hyatt Centric, Hebbal, Bengaluru. The event marked a significant milestone with the participation of International delegates from Germany, Thailand, and Cambodia, reinforcing eMERG's global connect.



eMERG Celebrates Womanhood at Its 9th Annual Flagship Event

eMERG (Engineering Manufacturer Entrepreneurs Resource Group), a not-for-profit association registered under the Societies Act and established in 2006, continues its mission to empower women in technology, business, profession, and service sectors. With over 300 active members and more than 2,000 indirect members nationwide, eMERG provides a strong platform for networking, learning, and entrepreneurial growth.



Women from diverse sectors came together to share experiences, deliberate on key business challenges, and explore opportunities to integrate into mainstream business. The event enabled meaningful networking and the creation of new business linkages, empowering participants to take confident steps toward growth and success. The celebration concluded with the Woman Achiever Awards, honouring outstanding women achievers in business, services, and professional fields. The event has consistently received support from the Government of India, underlining its role in promoting women entrepreneurship and leadership.

JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2025

Annual General Meeting (AGM)



The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was successfully conducted on 25th July 2025 at Green Path Organic Hotel, Malleshwaram, Bangalore. A significant number of eMERG members actively attended and participated in the meeting.

Meeting with AOC, AFFWA, Jalahalli East



The meeting with AOC, Mrs. Hegde, at AFFWA Jalahalli East on 18th September yielded positive outcomes, including permission for eMERG members to retail at the AFFWA Store and an invitation to participate in a three-day pre-Diwali exhibition.

Celebrating Sustainability: TAARA Exhibition Inauguration & Meet-and-Greet



An inspiring session was delivered by Ms. Jyoti Mehra, Vidushi, Dr. Sriranjitha Nagesh and Dr. Vasundhara Bhupathi. The program flow and upcoming eMERG initiatives were presented, and participating entrepreneurs showcased their ventures through brief elevator pitches. The event concluded with a vote of thanks and felicitation of dignitaries, supporters, and participants.

The Meet and Greet with the TAARA Exhibition was successfully inaugurated on 23 August 2025 at The Green Path Organic, Malleswaram. Ms. Radhika Setty welcomed the dignitaries and highlighted eMERG's mission, followed by an address on sustainability and women entrepreneurship by Mr. Jayaram H. R., and a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony.



The second day, 24 August 2025, featured a range of engaging programs, including a unique musical concert using plants, which received an excellent audience response. This was followed by a fashion show featuring stall participants, a classical dance performance, and a certificate distribution ceremony for all stall participants. The two-day event concluded successfully, celebrating creativity, sustainability, and women entrepreneurship.



A Moment of Honor: Presidential Investiture of Ms. Uma Reddy



A Historic Moment for eMERG

eMERG proudly marks a historic milestone as our Founder President, Ms. Uma Reddy, became the first woman President of FKCCI in its 108-year history.



The installation ceremony was held at the Sir M. Visvesvaraya Auditorium on 27th September 2025 at 6:30 PM. This landmark achievement reflects her visionary leadership and commitment to industry and entrepreneurship.

eMERG stands united in extending its full support and solidarity, committed to strengthening her leadership journey and advancing inclusive growth and empowerment across the ecosystem.

Congratulations to Ms. Uma Reddy on this proud and inspiring achievement!!

Ayudha Pooja Celebrations at eMERG



Ayudha Pooja was celebrated at the eMERG office on 30th September 2025 in the gracious presence of our Office Bearers (OB), Executive Committee (EC) members, and a newly inducted member.

The occasion reflected the spirit of togetherness, reverence for tradition, and collective prayers for prosperity. The celebration invoked blessings for continued growth, harmony, and success of eMERG and its members, strengthening our shared commitment to progress and values.



Congratulations!!

eMERG STARS

Congratulating all the women for excelling in their fields, celebrating these women and applauding the stellar performance and recognitions.

DR. SHILPA DATAR



On the occasion of National Startup Day, Dr. Shilpa Datar had an incredible opportunity to be featured in an interview conducted by YourStory Media, led by none other than its inspiring founder, Shradha Sharma.

DR. SUMITHA NAYAK



eMERG life member and Past President, Dr. Sumitha Nayak, was felicitated by eMERG Founders Ms. Uma Reddy and Ms. Rajalakshmi during the installation ceremony, where she assumed the prestigious role of President 2025 of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics, Bengaluru Branch.

DR. TRUPTI BAGUL KHAIRNAR



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With immense pride and gratitude, Dr. Trupti Bagul Khairnar announces a decade-long journey of Ojas Clinic, marking ten years of excellence in Ayurveda and Nutrition on 21st January 2025.

MS. JEYALAKSHMI VENKATNARAYANAN



Ms. Jeyalakshmi Venkatnarayanan has been conferred with a prestigious recognition by NASSCOM in association with Invest Karnataka, in acknowledgment of her outstanding contributions and leadership.

MS. UMA REDDY

eMERG Founder President and Senior Vice President, FKCCI, Ms. Uma Reddy, has been honored with the SME Award by the Government of Karnataka at the Global Investors Meet – Invest Karnataka 2025, held on 12 February 2025 at Bangalore Palace, Bengaluru.



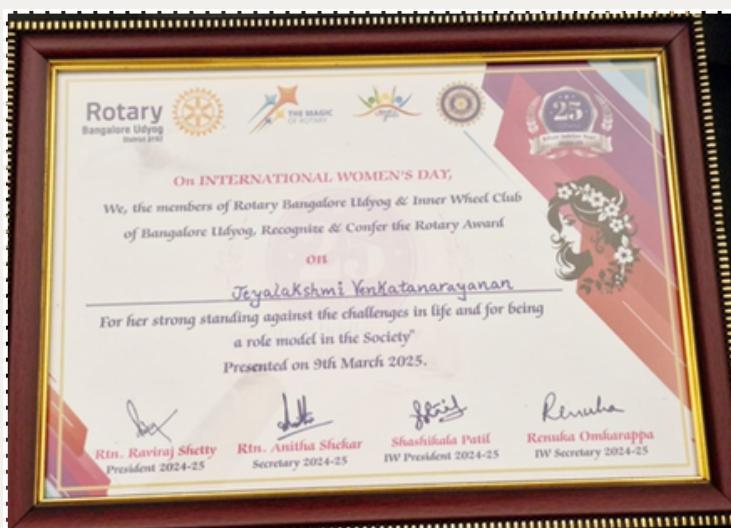
DR. TRUPTI BAGUL KHAIRNAR



Dr. Trupti Bagul Khairnar deeply honored to receive the Swakruta Women Entrepreneur of the Year Award 2024–25.

MS. RAHAT KHAN

Ms Rahat Khan has been honored with the prestigious Women Pride Award, in recognition of her outstanding contributions, leadership, and unwavering commitment to excellence.



MS. JEYALAKSHMI

Ms Jeyalakshmi eMERG Member received the Mahila sadhaki award from Rotary international at Peenya on International Women's Day.



EMERG STARS APRIL TO JUNE



DR. VASUDHA SHARMA

eMERG Member Dr. Vasudha Sharma was formally honored by the Indian Yoga Association with an award for her outstanding contributions to Entrepreneurship in Yoga.

MS. NEELIMA VOBUGARI

eMERG Life Member Ms. Neelima Vobugari was conferred the prestigious Startup Maharathi Award in the category of DeepTech, Artificial Intelligence, and Security by the Hon'ble Minister Shri Piyush Goyal.



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Feeling Grateful, Humbled, and Energized! 🌟

Thrilled to share that **aiensured** has been chosen as one of the winners of the Startup Maharathi Challenge under the #DeepTech - #AI, #IoT, and #Cybersecurity category at #StartupMahakumbh. #BharatMandapam, #Delhi! 🎉

This was a national challenge with over 2500 startups participating — a true celebration of India's thriving innovation ecosystem.

Receiving the award from Shri Piyush Goyal and being recognized in the presence of incredible leaders like Aman Gupta (Co-founder of boAT) was an absolute honor.

And yes — it was a delight to see Sonam KA: ...more

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DR. TRUPTI KHAIRNAR

Dr. Trupti Anandnath was honored to be a speaker at the Nutri think Conference 2025, held at Aurika, Mumbai, on 24th and 25th July. She delivered an insightful session on “Nourishing Women’s Health: The Science of Nutrition at Every Stage of a Woman’s Life.

MS. UMA REDDY



"How She Made It" by CA Anjana Vivek & Noreen, A must-read for aspiring women entrepreneurs! The book shares inspiring journeys along with practical lessons on decision-making, financial confidence, entrepreneurship, and emotional clarity. Ms. Uma Reddy and Ms. Pratibha Nakil was part of the book launch event.

MS. LALITHALAKSHMI



Dr. Rita Mahajan received the prestigious Master of Quantum Medicine award, presented by the Minister for Higher Education, Mauritius. In line with our vision to promote holistic well-being, we are actively working to introduce yoga initiatives across schools in Mauritius.

MS. JEYALAKSHMI

Ms. Jeyalakshmi delivered the keynote address on Entrepreneurship to the commerce students of Government First Grade College, Vijaynagar.



MS. UMA REDDY



Our Founder President Ms Uma Reddy has become the first female president of FKCCI in its history of 108 years.

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Pavi Ratnakar is a designer drafter drafting Specialist | Unacademy Committee Member
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A quiet revolution is happening in India.

Ms. Uma Reddy has become the first female president of FKCCI in its history of 108 years. Knowing Uma, this is not a one off but the beginning of a new chapter for Indian industry.

As a one of the hundreds of people she has mentored and inspired, I can't be more proud! 

Who in their right mind would want to start an industry association for women engineers in manufacturing sector? It is super tiny subset of engineering professionals. But she did. And eMERG India attracted some brilliant women engineers in manufacturing sector in Bangalore. Her zeal and passion were so infectious that many of us volunteered for the sheer joy of working with her.

Having started a business while still in her final year of engineering, 40 years on she is still running it successfully and has paved the way for thousands of women entrepreneurs by freely sharing her knowledge and experience in navigating entrepreneurship, scaling a business and doing it in style.

Her beautiful sarees are as legendary as her management skills. And she carries both well while being the only woman on many boards, industry associations and voluntary organisations.

As I sit thousands of miles away in London, and joyously volunteer for several causes... and like many others who are spread across the globe... all mentored by Uma knowingly or unknowingly  ... we all stand proudly and applaud this day as Uma opens doors for one more unexplored space for women engineers and entrepreneurs. 

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