

# IETE Shimoga Centre

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## Report

A one-day Workshop on “**Internet Awareness and Digital transactions for Women and Senior Citizens**” was conducted by IETE Shimoga Centre in association with departments of Telecommunication Engineering & Electronics Engineering, J.N.N. College of Engineering, Shimoga on 3<sup>rd</sup>, February 2018.

The inaugural function was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 at 10.00 AM at Administrative block, Seminar hall of JNNCE. Prof. H. K. Harish, Chairman, IETE Shimoga Centre was the chief guest of the programme. The function was presided over by Dr. L. K. Shreepathi, Vice Principal, JNN College of Engineering, Dr. P. Manjunatha, Hony. Secretary, IETE Shimoga Center, Dr. Usha Devi M.B. HOD of Telecommunication Engineering department were also present in the function. Chief Guest Prof. H K Harish elaborated on the need for internet literacy as India prepares to take the digital leap with plans of connecting the uninitiated through broadband highways. He mentioned that IETE Shimoga Centre is going parallel with the Digital India programme by offering these training programs for the past several years regularly. Dr. L. K. Shreepathi addressed the participants and appreciated the women and senior citizens for showing keen interest in this awareness programme. He mentioned going cashless is the need of the hour and it is very important to understand how to transact digitally and market their product as a part of e-commerce. in making their lives easier. He also urged women to use government enabled payment systems for online transactions

The workshop enlightened the participants on the use of smartphone and internet and their role in digital transaction. Government enabled payment systems like\*99#, Rupay, UPI, BHIM, Aadhaar enabled payment systems among others for security and convenience in financial transactions were demonstrated. Virtual Newspapers, radio/TV channels, e-commerce, online money transfer, e-mail, online shopping, online bill payment, IRCTC booking, Internet Banking, PayTM, WhatsApp call apps were taught in detail.

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About 24 women and senior citizens participated in the workshop. The valedictory function of the workshop was held on 03.02.2018 at 4.30 PM. Mr.H. R. Rajappa, Joint Director of district industries center was the chief guest. During the feedback session, participants thanked IETE Shimoga Centre and JNN College of Engineering for conducting such programmes. Also they felt that now they have the confidence to do online digital transactions on their own. Certificates were also distributed to the participants. Mrs. Aparna, and Mrs. Nalina S. B., coordinated the workshop. About 15 ISF members volunteered in this programme. Dr. P. Manjunath, Hony. Secy, IETE Shimoga centre said the centre is glad that the workshop served the purpose and many more such workshops would be conducted in near future.

