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Cultural Committee

“Birth Anniversary celebration of Rani Channamma, Abbakka, and Ahalyabai Holkar”- 04.09.2025

Event Report: A Special Talk on Rani Channamma, Abbakka and Ahalyabai Holkar

Date: September 4, 2025

Venue: Seminar Hall

Organizer: H.K.E. Society's Sir M. Visvesvaraya College of Engineering, Cultural Committee.

In observance of the birth anniversaries of three revered leaders—Rani Channamma, Abbakka, and Ahalyabai Holkar—H.K.E. Society's Sir M. Visvesvaraya College of Engineering organized a special talk for its staff and students. The event took place on September 4, 2025, starting at 11:15 AM in the Seminar Hall.

The program was well-attended by 93 students and all of the college's female staff. Prof. Geetha Band, the Cultural Coordinator, felicitated the esteemed resource person, Dr. Rajashree Kallurkar, who then symbolically watered a plant before beginning her talk.

Dr. Kallurkar's talk was a detailed and inspiring session on the lives and legacies of these three great women. She highlighted how they bravely fought and defeated the Portuguese and British forces. Dr. Kallurkar elaborated on their significant achievements and powerful leadership, explaining how Rani Channamma led a fierce rebellion against the British, Abbakka championed the coastal defence against the Portuguese using strategic

guerrilla tactics, and Ahalyabai Holkar's reign was marked by her administrative brilliance and focus on building temples and public works.

Dr. Kallurkar also focused on how these leaders motivated their people and encouraged the audience to embody similar qualities of courage and resilience. Her speech was particularly motivational for the students, who were deeply moved by her powerful words and the examples set by the three historical figures. The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Prof. Swetha, leaving the students with a renewed sense of purpose and motivation to strive for leadership in their own lives.

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