

A digital platform to address unemployability

An app to connect engineers, students and faculty launched

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It is not the lack of opportunities but how one applies the mind to address a challenge that paves way for a career.

The launch of an app, D4EClub (Digitally for Engineers), on Tuesday was a platform to address the issue of unemployability and ways to improve engineering education in the country. Speakers unanimously advocated the idea of entrepreneurship that would not only provide jobs but also help sustain the small and medium enterprises.

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Governor Banwarilal Purohit launching the D4EClub app. ■ K. PICHUMANI

rohit, who launched the app, said with technology evolving continuously there were plenty of opportunities to

launch new ventures. "Don't be disheartened. There is future. India has a large ecosystem of start-ups that depends on small and medium enterprises for sustenance," he said.

Former Odisha Governor M.M. Rajendran urged colleges to update the knowledge of teachers and bring on sabbatical experts among the Indian diaspora abroad to teach the students. Students should remain updated and absorb the technologies and automation.

Anna University Vice-Chancellor M.K. Surappa said by enhancing the think-

ing capability of students the problem of unemployment could be addressed. Greater interaction between the students and the industry and between the students and the faculty outside the classroom would not only motivate students but also inspire teachers, he said.

Chairman of the All India Council for Technical Education Anil Sahasrabudhe said the council had revamped its curriculum and launched more outside the class activity. Ram Mohan Mishra, additional secretary, MSME, and K.E. Raghunathan, who created the app, spoke.