
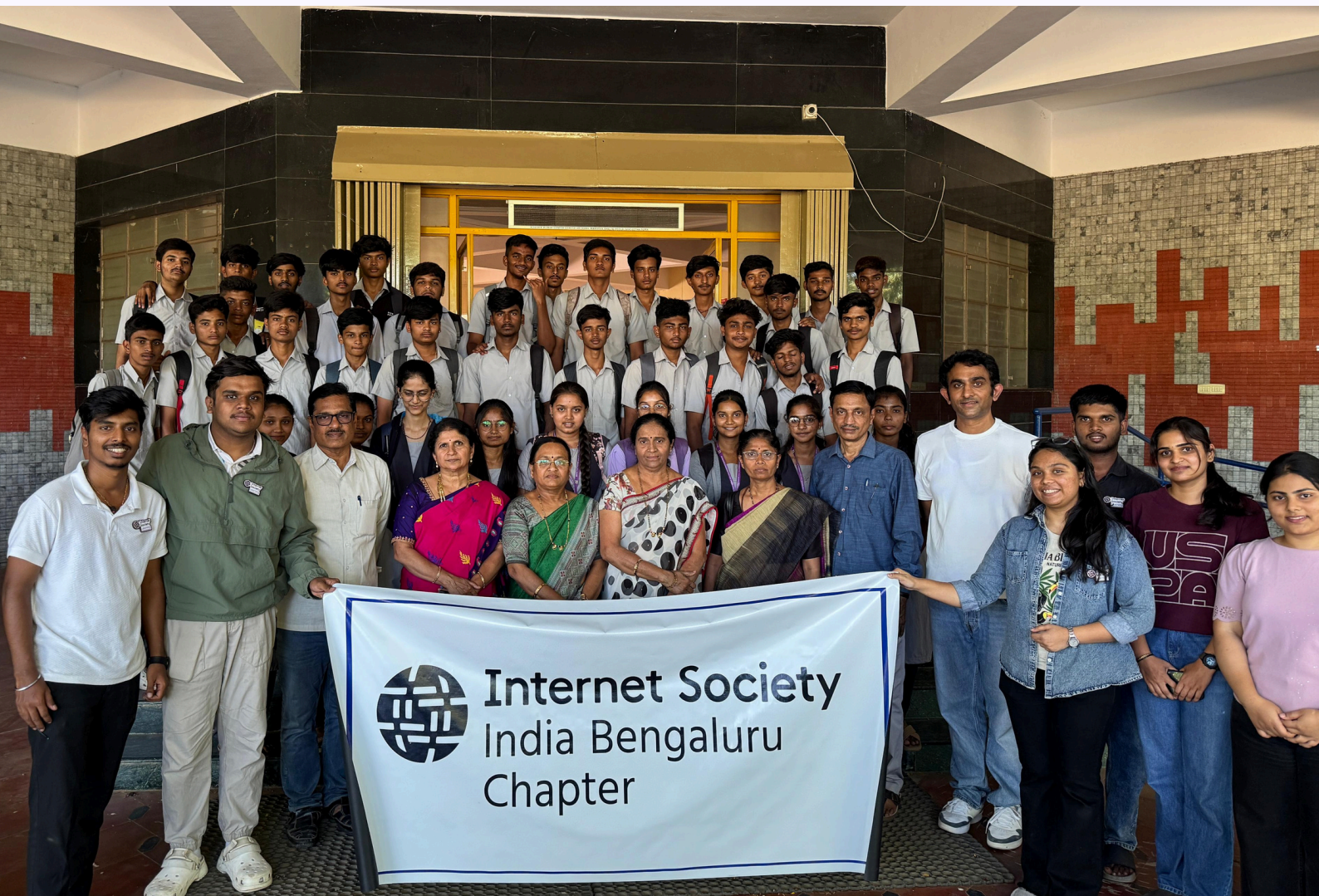


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# ISOC Bengaluru Outreach to Rural Polytechnic college



Bapuji Polytechnic, Davangere



## Introduction

The ISOC India Bengaluru Chapter organized an Internet literacy and digital awareness session at a polytechnic college in rural Karnataka, with the goal of bridging the digital divide and empowering young learners.

The session introduced students to the fundamentals of the Internet, including how it works, how to use it effectively for learning, and how it can open doors to educational and career opportunities. Special emphasis was placed on safe and responsible Internet usage, helping students understand topics such as online privacy, cyber safety, and identifying misinformation.



Interactive activities and real-life examples were used to make the session engaging and easy to understand. Students were encouraged to explore digital tools, educational platforms, and communication technologies that can support their academic growth.

## Objective of the Session

The session was designed to introduce students to fundamental Internet concepts while emphasizing the importance of safe and responsible online behavior. It focused on building awareness about how the Internet works, how to use it effectively for learning, and how to stay protected from online risks such as cyber threats and misinformation.

The objective was to empower young learners with essential digital skills and knowledge, helping them develop confidence in using online platforms responsibly and making informed decisions in the digital world.



## Key Topics Covered

Students were introduced to the fundamentals of how the Internet works and its significance in everyday life. The session highlighted the importance of using the Internet safely and responsibly, ensuring students understand good digital practices.

It also covered critical topics such as cyberbullying, including how to identify it, respond appropriately, and report such incidents. Additionally, students were educated about misinformation and disinformation, helping them distinguish between reliable and false content online.

The session was interactive, encouraging students to share their personal online experiences, ask questions, and actively participate in discussions, making the learning process engaging and practical.



## Impact and Community Engagement

The program played a vital role in strengthening basic digital literacy and enhancing Internet awareness among students in rural areas. It encouraged learners to use online platforms in a responsible and informed manner, fostering confidence in navigating the digital world.

Such initiatives contribute significantly to bridging the digital divide by ensuring that students from underserved communities gain access to essential digital knowledge and skills. The ISOC India Bengaluru Chapter expressed its sincere gratitude to the school administration, staff, and volunteers for their valuable support and collaboration in making the program a success.

