



# HIVE

## *Highlights & Insights from Vision Empower (VE)*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER, NINTH EDITION

Dear Readers,

It's been 5 years since Vision Empower was founded in 2017. From having three members in the team to having a team of over 30 members, from working with one special school of Karnataka to engaging with 83 schools in 11 states across the country, VE has truly come a long way.

In these 5 years, one thing that has not changed is our passion to make STEM education accessible for children with visual impairment. Thank you for your support.

We hope you enjoy reading the ninth edition of HIVE 2022.



Graphic Description- A schoolboy wearing black glasses is walking with a cane in his left hand. He is carrying a school bag and holding two books in his right hand.

CT Game

Pune Pragya

VE Achievements

Foundation Day

# Soumya's Favourite Game- Ludo

## Project VICT

(Computational Thinking for the Visually-Impaired)

To introduce numeracy concepts and computational thinking to children with visual impairment, VE's Project VICT (Computational Thinking for Visually Impaired) follows a play-based approach. During what we call 'CT Game Sessions' the VE educational coordinators play games, that are curated to learn CT concepts, with children with visual impairment.



[LISTEN TO  
SOUMYA](#)

Let's hear what our 8-year-old student Soumya, from Mathru Educational Trust for the Blind- Bangalore, has to say about her favourite game.

How is it played? The objective of this tactile ludo game is to be the first to bring all 4 tokens into the home triangle. The game starts with all the players given a set of 4 tokens with different textures. Players then take turns rolling a die. They move the tokens according to the number the die lands on. The player who brings all 4 tokens into the home triangle wins the game.

While playing ludo, children develop creative ways of solving problems, forming strategies and calculating probability.

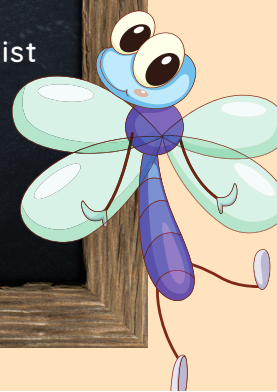
## Trained to Teach (Pragya Teacher Training at Pune)

As Vision Empower (VE) continues to meet its goal of reaching 100 schools for the academic session 2022-23, we are training teachers from special schools every month.

In September, we conducted a Pragya Teacher Training on the 12th and 13th of September at the Poona School and Home for Blind, Pune, Maharashtra. 22 teachers from 6 schools of Maharashtra, 5 from Pune and 1 from Mumbai, participated in the training aimed to equip teachers with accessible STEM teaching methodologies & resources.

Educational Coordinators Jyoti and Devidatta and Hexis Specialist Shiladitya from VE conducted the training.

[READ MORE ABOUT  
THE TRAINING](#)





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## Teachers' Day Celebration at IEPVD Tripura

The IEPVD Boys and Girls School at Agartala, Tripura celebrated Teachers' Day on 5th September.

As Vision Empower closely works with the teachers and students from IEPVD, Sudipta- VE's School Coordinator was invited to the celebration by the students she regularly conducts VICT sessions with.

As a school coordinator of Vision Empower, I'm overwhelmed to experience such a wonderful Teacher's Day celebration", shared Sudipta.



### VE Achievements

On Wednesday, September 28, VE's co-founder Vidhya Y was acknowledged and honoured at the 13th NCPEDP-Mphasis Universal Design Awards, for her work in making STEM education accessible for children with visual impairment through Vision Empower.

[KNOW MORE ABOUT VIDHYA'S AWARD](#)

# Social Media Highlights

## Celebrating 5th Foundation Day

VE celebrated its 5th Foundation Day on October 4th 2022. To celebrate this day, we asked our beneficiaries, partners, advisors and team to share words of encouragement on the special occasion.

Watch this video to know the progress we have made in the 5 years of making STEM education accessible for children with visual impairment and the kind wishes of some who are a part of VE's ecosystem.



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