

Seminar / Session Report

1) Event Details

Title: *Responsible AI: Risk Mitigation, Bias Reduction, and Model Transparency*

Date: 28.01.2026

Time: 10.00 AM – 11.00 AM

Venue: Intel Lab, AVIT

Organised by: AI Nexus Club / AVIT (CSE)

Resource Person: Dr. S. Pitchumani Angayarkanni, Professor, Department of CSE, AVIT

Student Strength: 44

2) Objective of the Session

The session aimed to introduce students to Responsible AI as an engineering discipline—where *risks, bias, and transparency are measurable and testable*, not just policy statements.

3) Session Summary (Topics Covered)

A. Why Responsible AI?

- Responsible AI was positioned as accountability in the age of automation, emphasizing that “accuracy alone isn’t safety, fairness, or trust.”
- Real-world examples were discussed to show how AI can create harm when trained on biased historical patterns or deployed without controls.

B. Risk in AI (Core Concept)

- $\text{AI Risk} = \text{Harm} \times \text{Likelihood}$ (harm: financial loss/denial of opportunity/safety/privacy; likelihood: data quality, drift, misuse, adversarial inputs).
- Need for a risk register + controls, similar to cybersecurity practice.

C. Three Pillars of Responsible AI

1. Risk Mitigation: prevention + detection + response
2. Bias Reduction: measure → mitigate → monitor
3. Model Transparency: explainability + documentation + traceability

D. Practical Tooling / Frameworks Introduced

- Risk mitigation checklist (data leakage, distribution shift, misuse, security/prompt injection, privacy inference) and the principle: “Every risk needs a test.”
- Fairness concepts such as Demographic Parity gap and Equalized Odds gap with a scholarship-style example.

- Transparency methods: local vs global explanations, limitations, auditability; introduction to interactive explainability exploration.
- Model Card sections (intended use, data summary, metrics overall & per-group, fairness + mitigation, explainability approach, monitoring plan, ownership/versioning).
- Post-deployment monitoring risks: drift, bias re-emergence, feedback loops; monitor metrics by group + alert thresholds.
- Ownership clarity via RACI: Builder, Reviewer, Owner, Auditor.

4) Teaching–Learning Methods Used

- Concept explanation with real-world scenarios and responsible AI framing as an engineering workflow.
- Demonstration previews aligned to:
 - Data leakage trap (inflated accuracy through “cheating”)
 - Fairness metrics + mitigation trade-offs
 - Explain a prediction (global + local explanation approaches)

5) Key Learning Outcomes (for Students)

By the end of the session, students were able to:

- Explain AI risk using the *Harm × Likelihood* framing and propose testable controls.
- Identify common AI failure modes: leakage, drift, misuse, privacy inference, and security risks in GenAI settings.
- Describe bias using fairness gaps (approval-rate gaps and error-rate gaps) and discuss mitigation trade-offs.
- Understand transparency artifacts: explanations, model cards, traceability, and monitoring responsibilities.

6) Participation Details

- Total Participants (Students): 44
- Active interaction during examples on risk, fairness, and accountability workflow.

7) Conclusion & Follow-up Suggestions

The session successfully reinforced that Responsible AI is operational—implemented through tests, documentation, and monitoring, supported by clear ownership roles.

APPENDIX

Event Poster



The poster features a white background with a subtle grid of blue and green dots. At the top left are the AVIT logo (Vinayaka Missions Chennai Campus) and the I-GAUGE logo. At the top right is the AI NEXUS CLUB logo. Below the logos, the text 'Day 1' is followed by a calendar icon and '28 January 2026'. A blue box labeled 'Topic' contains the title 'Responsible AI: Risk Mitigation, Bias Reduction, and Model Transparency'. To the right of the title is an illustration of a robotic hand. Below the title is a portrait of Dr. S. Pitchumani Angayarkanni, a woman in a pink and blue saree. To the left of the portrait, the text identifies her as the 'Resource Person' and provides her title, department, and institution. Below this, a clock icon indicates the time '10:00 AM - 12:00 PM', and a location pin icon indicates 'Intel Lab, AVIT'. The bottom of the poster features a row of logos: Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, Institution's Innovation Council, INDIAi, and AI IMPACT SUMMIT.

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