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Author · Leadership Coach · Professor · Educator in Management, Finance & Emerging Technologies (AI)

About / Summary

Vijayakumar Varadaraju is an accomplished **leadership coach, author, and seasoned management educator** with extensive experience spanning academia, industry, and professional coaching. He specializes in **leadership development, finance, business strategy, and experiential learning**, with a growing focus on the impact of **Artificial Intelligence on leadership and organizations**.

He is a published author and has **recently completed another book on Artificial Intelligence**, which is **currently under the publication process**. His work integrates academic rigor with practical insights, helping students, professionals, and leaders develop strategic thinking, emotional intelligence, and future-ready leadership skills. Vijayakumar is deeply committed to lifelong learning and preparing individuals to navigate change in an AI-driven world.

Professional Experience

Self-Employed — Professor & Leadership Coach

January 2017 – Present

- Executive coaching and leadership development for individuals and organizations
- Design and delivery of customized programs in leadership, management, and professional growth
- Mentoring professionals and students to build future-ready skills

Professor & Author — Academic Institutions

March 1998 – December 2016

- Teaching in management, finance, and business administration at reputed institutions
- Curriculum development, academic mentoring, and faculty leadership
- Institutions include Manipal Global Education Services, VTU, and Bangalore University

Senior Manager (Operations) — Gogo Exports Ltd.

February 1995 – February 1998

Senior Officer — Kirloskar Electric Co. Ltd.

January 1985 – January 1995

Publications & Thought Leadership

- **Author** – Published book(s) in leadership and management
- **Upcoming Book** – *Artificial Intelligence and its implications for leadership and organizations* (**Manuscript completed; publication in progress**)

Education

- M.Com. (Master of Commerce)
- ICWAI (Institute of Cost & Works Accountants of India)
- PGDBA (Post Graduate Diploma in Business Administration)

Key Skills & Expertise

- Leadership Coaching & Executive Mentoring
- Strategic Management & Business Leadership
- Finance, Accounting & Business Economics
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) Awareness for Leaders
- Teaching, Curriculum Design & Academic Mentorship
- Emotional Intelligence & Change Management

Location

Bengaluru, Karnataka, India