# From Teacher to Finance Coach — The Inspiring Story Behind FinnFluent Education



Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh Jan 26, 2025 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - "The secret to getting ahead is getting started." — Mark Twain

Starting a business is never easy, but when your mission is to change how an entire generation thinks about money, the challenge becomes even greater. That's exactly what Navya Vikram, founder of FinnFluent Education, set out to do.

As an educator, finance coach, and author, Navya recognized a critical gap in the education system—while students are trained to excel academically, they are rarely taught how to manage money. This realization sparked the idea for FinnFluent, a platform dedicated to empowering students with

practical financial literacy skills.

Today, FinnFluent is making waves in the education and finance sectors, helping students and young adults develop the financial confidence they need to succeed. But the journey wasn't without obstacles. Let's explore how FinnFluent came to life, the challenges faced along the way, and the future of financial education.

## The Journey: From Teacher to Finance Entrepreneur

Navya Vikram's journey into financial education was deeply personal. As a mother, she noticed that her teenage son—like many others—had little understanding of money management. The education system was failing to equip students with fundamental life skills such as budgeting, saving, and investing.

With years of experience as a teacher, assistant professor, and finance expert, Navya saw an opportunity to bridge this gap. She combined her expertise in education with her passion for financial literacy and created FinnFluent Education—a platform that makes learning about money engaging, interactive, and most importantly, practical.

Her mission? To help students avoid financial pitfalls, develop smart money habits, and gain the confidence to make sound financial decisions from an early age.

## **Challenges of Starting FinnFluent Education**

Like any entrepreneur, Navya faced several roadblocks while launching FinnFluent.

- Reaching the Right Audience Convincing parents, schools, and students about the importance of financial education was a challenge. Many people wrongly assume that finance is something to learn "later in life" rather than as a teenager.
- Marketing & Awareness Financial literacy is not traditionally a "trending" topic among students, so making it engaging and appealing requires creative marketing strategies.
- Funding & Resources As a solo entrepreneur, Navya had to juggle content creation, curriculum development, branding, and business operations while ensuring the program remained affordable and accessible.
- Aligning with Educational Policies Integrating FinnFluent's programs into existing school curricula and aligning them with national education policies (such as India's NEP) required persistence and collaboration.

Through resilience, networking, and strategic partnerships, Navya overcame these challenges and FinnFluent is now a trusted name in financial education.

## What Sets FinnFluent Apart?

While financial education is gaining traction worldwide, FinnFluent's unique approach sets it apart from other platforms.

Real-Life Applications Over Theory – Traditional financial education often focuses on theoretical concepts that feel disconnected from students' lives. FinnFluent ensures students learn through practical exercises, case studies, and real-world scenarios.

Team-Based Learning – Students engage in interactive group activities, simulations, and challenges

that mimic real-world financial decisions, making learning dynamic and engaging.

Financial Psychology & Mindset – Understanding money isn't just about numbers—it's also about mindset, habits, and emotions. FinnFluent helps students develop discipline, delayed gratification, and goal-oriented financial planning.

Industry-Relevant Curriculum – FinnFluent keeps its courses updated with modern financial trends, including cryptocurrency, digital payments, financial scams, and sustainable investing.

Community-Oriented Approach – Beyond just courses, FinnFluent fosters a supportive financial literacy community, including parents, teachers, and industry professionals.

By integrating these innovative strategies, FinnFluent ensures that students don't just memorize financial terms—they internalize and apply financial wisdom for life.

# The Bigger Vision: Making Financial Literacy Mainstream

FinnFluent's long-term goal is to make financial literacy a fundamental part of education—just like math, science, and language. To achieve this, FinnFluent is working on several expansion initiatives:

Collaborating with Schools & Colleges – FinnFluent is actively partnering with educational institutions to integrate financial literacy into their standard curriculum.

Scaling Free CSR Workshops – To reach students from underprivileged backgrounds, FinnFluent offers free workshops in government schools, ensuring financial education is accessible to all.

Expanding to New Learning Platforms – The company is looking to leverage Al-driven tools and mobile applications to make financial learning more interactive and gamified.

Organizing Financial Literacy Camps – FinnFluent is planning in-person and virtual boot camps that help students apply financial knowledge in real-life scenarios.

# Lessons from an Entrepreneur: Navya's Advice for Startups in Education

Navya's journey from educator to entrepreneur has been filled with lessons. She shares some key takeaways for aspiring business owners in the education sector:

Solve a Real Problem – The best businesses are built on solving real-life pain points. If there's a gap in education, create a solution that is practical, accessible, and easy to implement.

Stay Consistent & Adaptable - Education trends evolve, and the ability to adapt, update, and innovate will determine success.

Focus on Value, Not Just Sales – In education, trust is everything. If your product truly helps students, word-of-mouth and organic growth will follow.

Collaborate & Build a Community – Growth is faster and more impactful when you work with schools, parents, educators, and students to create a meaningful learning ecosystem.

Don't Underestimate the Power of Financial Education - Many people assume that finance is only for

professionals, but financial literacy can change lives. The sooner students start, the better their future will be.

### The Future of Financial Education

As we look ahead, financial literacy is becoming a non-negotiable skill. Governments, schools, and even corporations are recognizing the importance of financial education in preparing students for the real world.

FinnFluent Education is at the forefront of this movement, proving that finance doesn't have to be boring or complicated—it can be engaging, practical, and transformative.

For students, young professionals, and parents alike, FinnFluent is not just a course provider—it's a movement. For Navya Vikram, what started as a mother's concern for her child's financial future has now become a mission to educate an entire generation.

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