

ST. XAVIER'S TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

MAHIM-CAUSEWAY, MAHIM, MUMBAI- 400 016

Expert Lecture on "Introduction to the Outside World as a Businessman/Businesswoman or an Entrepreneur"

As part of the Industry Interaction Cell (IIC) and Entrepreneurship Cell (EC), the students of the third year were given a gist of what to expect in the outside world once they finish their diploma in Electronics and Telecommunication. The expert lecture was on the **26**th of February, **2020 at 11am** in the Communication Skills Laboratory at Xavier's Institute of Engineering.

Six of our alumni from the 1999 pass out batch of Diploma in Electronics and Video Engineering to come and speak to our students after two decades of being highly experienced in a field of their choice. Amidst the six experts, four were businessmen and businesswomen and two entrepreneurs.

The expert lecture started with a short introduction to the Industry Interaction Cell (IIC) and Entrepreneurship Cell (EC) by Mrs. Chevon De Souza, Lecturer and Member Secretary of the Entrepreneurship Cell and Industry Interaction Cell. The importance of both the IIC and EC was highlighted in the introduction.



The introduction of the experts was given by Mr. Mahesh Munde, Lecturer, Senior Scale.



All the students and staff who attended the session were engrossed as they listened to each experience that the experts shared with them.



The lecture started with the petit Mrs. Aarti Tambwekar Barve who has over 16 years experience in the software industry and is currently a Project Manager at LearningMate Solutions Pvt. Ltd.



Next up was the dynamic **Mr. Dave Drego** has a work experience of over 20 years in the **Entertainment Industry** and is an **Entrepreneur** in his field.



The confident Mr. Kern Martis spoke next, he is currently working for Tata Communications for the past 7 years as a Solution Architect - Sr. Manager.



The enthusiastic **Ms. Shilpa Doke** was already a well known face to some of our students as they had attened vocational training at **HMV Saregama India Ltd.** where Ms. Shilpa currently works as a **Manager in Technology**.



The most energetic and impressive, as described by the students was our next expert, Mr. Nayan Raut who has a work experience of 20 years in the field of Retail Banking Payments and System Integration and is an Entrepreneur in the field.





Lastly, a surprise visit was the most precise, Mr. Dipesh Rathod who is currently an Integration Architect (Systems Integrator) at Accenture India Pvt. Ltd.



The event ended with the vote of thanks by Mrs. Chevon De Souza. The experts were then taken for a tour of the college which they noticed has changed in the past 21 years (since they were once students at this very institute) especially in terms of advancement in technology. They were highly impressed with the laboratories and got to interact with different students through the tour. They also interacted with some of the staff senior members and technical staff who had taught them 21 years ago.



Mr. K. H. Kamath, Lecturer (Selection Grade) was the one who kept in touch with these alumni through all these years and was the one who initiated the expert lecture.



The alumni managed to get a click with Mr. S. N. Jirapure, Lecturer (Selection Grade) who they said drew colorful diagrams that they still remember after 21 years.



The alumni insisted on a picture with their fun and enthusiastic Laboratory Assistant., Mrs. Anushree Samant who still exudes radiance after 21 years.

The alumni were then felicitated by the Principal, Dr. S. B. Ghungrad before they said their final goodbyes.



Just before leaving, the alumni got to sit in their old places (as students) after more than two decades and left the institute with smiles, willing to volunteer to come back again for another expert talk!

