

Hope Foundation's International Institute of Information Technology, Pune

Activity Report

Webinar: India First Leadership Talk Series

Date: 8th January, 2019

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Time: 2 PM - 3 PM

Target Audience: BE (CE, IT and E&TC Dept.)

No of Students: 25 students.

Venue: Convention center, I²IT, Pune.

Topic: India First Leadership Talk Series

Resource Person: Shri Anand Mahindra

Coordinator: Prof. Sandeep Patil

Objectives:

- 1. To promote innovation and entrepreneurship at Institute level.
- 2. To understand the importance of innovation and its role in growth of business.
- 3. To develop the skill of leadership activities, team spirit etc.
- 4. To implement new ideas/experiments which leads to innovation

Outcomes:

- 1. To discover new opportunities getting through innovation.
- 2. To achieve leadership qualities, team building qualities and sportsmanship spirit.

- 3. To understand what characterizes an attractive business opportunity and common pitfalls during the entrepreneurial process.
- 4. To set career missions in life and tackle obstacles and failures.

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Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) Innovation Cell-Institution Innovation Council held the Talk Series (Webinar organized by MHRD's Innovation Cell) by Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group. This activity is one of the components of Smart India Hackathon 2019 which is already on, and ideas have been invited by MHRD. Abhay Jere, Chief innovation Officer, MHRD, Govt. of India, was in conversation with Anand Mahindra.

Abhay Jere posed several questions on behalf of the students mainly from Engineering and other disciplines, to Anand Mahindra. Abhay Jere also informed that more than 500 questions from different students were received. While replying to several questions, he explained several concepts very nicely for instance how to handle failures in life? How to set career goals? What is collaborative competition, leadership qualities, innovation at business? He shared his own experiences particularly the failure he encountered initially and how he handled the same. Anand Mahindra emphasized on the critical importance of innovation.

Anand Mahindra mentioned that one must know what he/she expects from his/her life and then only should go in a focused way for achieving the goal. He said that without innovation/new experiments/risks one cannot flourish and achieve the ambitious business targets. He added that at Mahindra they have an 'innovation mela' which always leads to development of new ideas/concepts for business. Companies will not survive if they have no innovation in their business ventures. He further added that in India we use 'Jugaad' means some sort of local transitory arrangement for achieving the purpose and solving the problem, but that is not innovation rather innovation is 'Jhakaas' means perfectly precise and principal based solution to the problems. So we must move from 'Jugaad' to 'Jhakaas'.

The leadership talk by Anand Mahindra was inspiring, motivating and useful for students. The was excellent for guiding the young students to set their career missions for life, and to cope with failures in life.

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