Agile Methodology

This report summarizes the agile methodology used in banking domain which was conducted as a 2-day workshop led by Mr. Sriram. The workshop covered theoretical concepts, practical exercises. The goal was to have a bank brochure built.

Day 1: Agile Fundamentals

The session started by contrasting agile principals with traditional project management approaches, highlighting the emphasis on iterative development, customer focus, and adaptability. Sir introduced key agile terms like epics, stories, and the MoSCoW method for task prioritization (Must-Have, Should-Have, Could-Have, Won’t Have. We Were latter divided into groups and assigned roles like Scrum Master and Product Owner. He explained all these terms and their responsibilities.

In the afternoon session, each group brainstormed and selected five epics for the brochure, followed by creating five user stories for epic, detailing specific content and features. Based on the stories, groups began crafting a basic brochure design, serving as a foundation for Day 2 development.

Day 2: Deep Dive into Agile Workflows

The session was started by having a quick recap of the previous day’s session and latter sir explained the concepts of sprints and timebox. He also explained the term planning poker. He discussed about the importance of planning and having goals. He explained about the release plan and also sprint plans. The importance of daily team meeting for progress updates and collaborative problem-solving was emphasised. Additionally, regular retrospectives were introduced to assess performance, identify improvement areas, and adapt the process.

In the afternoon we started building the product, groups iteratively refined their prototypes based on feedback incorporating user stories and sprint planning principles. Each group presented their final brochure design, the workshop concluded with each group having a retrospective and key takeaway from agile experience.

This Workshop provided a valuable introduction to agile methodology for participants, specifically focusing on its application in developing a bank brochure. By combining theoretical learning with practical exercises and group collaboration, the workshop enabled participants to gain valuable insights into agile methodology.