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Q1. What is the purpose of Think India?

Purpose of Think india is as follows.

**1. Promote Social Harmony**

- To promote social harmony in every possible way and actively oppose any sectarian and narrow-minded activities of fissiparous tendencies.

**2. Fulfill Needs Of Bharat**

- Think and Act towards the fulfilment of the environmental, cultural and security needs of Bharat and the world.

**3. Support & Motivation**

- Motivate and support the initiatives of the organisations and individuals to inculcate India-centric action, designs.

**4. Activities In Campuses**

- Initiate and encourage India-centric thoughts and activities in campuses and among intelligentsia.

**5. Upliftment Of Rural Bharat**

- Think, Design and Develop sustainable strategies for the upliftment of underdeveloped and rural Bharat.

**6. Support Gender Justice**

- Support and uphold the concept of gender justice and promote family value

**7. Support National Interest**

- Create an ecosystem for the Youth Organisations and Individuals who are working in the national interest.

Q2. Explain the importance of the opportunity of an internship?

The importance of the opportunity of an internship are explained by the following 3 points.

### **1. An Internship Provides Real Life Experience and Exposure**

An internship allows you to get hands-on experience working in a real-world setting. It also allows students to put their university-learned skills, knowledge, and theoretical practise to use. Although you can obtain a limitless amount of education during your life, such information does not always translate to the workplace. Internships are beneficial because they teach young professionals about the industries and firms in which they are interested. Even the act of attempting something new can be highly useful. Many people fall into patterns, remaining in the same area, going to the same schools, and hanging out with the same people. Interning allows you to meet new individuals in a more controlled and steady setting.

### **2. The Opportunity To Learn More About Yourself**

Our lives are shaped by the experiences we have. Your internship will promote not only personal growth but also a better understanding of oneself. Knowing oneself means understanding your objectives and how to best attain them. It can be difficult to get this level of clarity, but sometimes all it takes is trying someone new and stepping outside of your comfort zone. Consider a Business Marketing student who chooses to participate in an internship linked to his subject of study. That internship will give them the opportunity to learn more about a career in business marketing. Reality does not always live up to expectations.

### **3. Get Connected and Develop Your Professional Network**

Networking is the exchange of information between people with the purpose of forming friendships and ties that will help you progress your career. You can go to a networking event without doing an internship, but you will be limited in your opportunities. Interning allows you to form deeper relationships than you would if you were chatting to a stranger one-on-one. As an intern, you will have additional opportunity to form relationships with corporate personnel, which will be advantageous to your future career. "The biggest mistake individuals make with networking is that they don't do it," says Timothy Butler, a Harvard Business School lecturer.

Q3. Explain in brief the role of communities and forums in today's culture of online learning?

The benefits of using communities and forums are as follows.

**1. Encourages discussion:**

The majority of individuals regard this to be the primary benefit of an online forum. They're an excellent method for your staff and stakeholders to bond around common experiences.

You could even build several communities for different groups to make it easier for them to find subjects that are relevant to them. This is a fantastic technique to keep them involved in the dialogue.

**2. Individualization of learning:**

Personal responses to forum topics are not limited in time or the length. Students have the freedom to continue dialogues about the topics that interest them most.

**3. Encouragement of critical thinking:**

Effective forum topics are open-ended and designed to encourage students to take a position on issues. To respond to a forum topic requires organized thought and synthesis of concepts introduced in class. If a student's views were challenged, he or she typically adds carefully considered reasons to back up previous comments.

**4. Student autonomy:**

Students have the freedom to think about their ideas and read other people's responses. Many students have said that they discussed the forum issues outside of class with friends, family, and coworkers before posting their thoughts online.

**5. Increased engagement time:**

A 45-hour semester limits the kind of talks and experiences that can be had in a class. In many cases, a course is the only one of its kind in a programme. As a result, the instructor is under a lot of pressure to provide a lot of information in a short amount of time. An equitable split of time allots only 5 minutes of discussion per student in a three-hour class meeting with an average class size. Over the course of a semester, regular forum conversation adds hours of contact.

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