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* CPI based Shortlisting (20 students from IT and 20 students from CE were selected)
* All the shortlisted students were supposed to report at university on 09/06/22 at 9:30 am for a Pre- Placement Talk (PPT)
* The PPT started around 10:15 and lasted for approx 30-40 mins
* After which a short break was given so that the interviewers could divide us in teams for a **Group Discussion (GD)**
* In each group, there were 5 members and a topic was assigned for discussion. Our group was given the topic **"Can AI replace Human Intelligence? "**
* We were given 5-10 mins to think and jot down our points, then we were supposed to discuss among ourselves. The interviewer was noticing and marking us by that time.
* After concluding our GD, we were asked to wait while other groups completed their GD.
* Then, results were announced and 19-20 candidates were shortlisted for Personal Interview (PI).

**PERSONAL INTERVIEW**

* The PI started with some basic introduction and about a project discussion.
* My project was using PostgreSQL , so there were counter questions like why did you chose this project, why did you chose this database instead of MongoDB ( I had worked with MongoDB in other projects so this was a counter question)
* Then, they asked me about OSI model and its layers.
* What is Subnet? Take an example and explain it. ( I was given a marker and was asked to explain on board and some counter questions by changing Subnet Mask and reserved addresses were asked)
* Also , I was asked if I knew about the process of how DNS resolves the IP address.(Since , I knew the basics but not the details , I clearly told them the same).
* Then I was asked about SDLC model and Agile model.
* Then they asked me if I had any idea about DevOps( I didn't have much idea so I politely and honestly refused).
* Then, What is Cloud Computing was asked and I was asked to name some technologies of AWS.
* Later, they asked me about my familiarity with OS and since I did study that subject I affirmed and gave some examples from our university lab sessions ( shared memory, pipes, make file, etc.)
* Then, they asked me if I had worked with gitlab, github or any other version control system. Since, I had worked with github, I affirmed about the same and they asked me if there is a repository on github and there are 4 files in my local repo, then how would I push them. I told them the process and then the asked me if I were given a SDE role instead of Cloud role, what will I do.
* So, I answered that question and then they asked me to go for an HR round.

**HR Round**

This was a general HR round where I was asked some general HR questions like

* Tell me about yourself ( not on your resume) - Just talk to me for 1 minute straight.
* Where are you from?
* Did you know about our company before this?
* When did you come to know about our company?
* What according to you does our company do?
* What motivated you to take Information Technology?
* Why did you choose our company?
* What are your strengths and weaknesses?
* Tell me 2 strong reasons that we should hire you.
* Are you ready to relocate?
* Does your family have any objection knowing that this is a night shift job?
* How many members are there in your family?
* What do your parents do?
* Are you an elder or a younger sibling?
* Now since I had varied interests from Data Science to Cloud Computing to Web Development, they asked me how could they trust me if there is something else that interests me in the future.
* What do I do in my free time
* What according to you is Cloud Computing?

And with that my interview ended....

The results were declared on 15/06/22 and out of 40 , they selected 4 candidates

**Some tips from my side**

* Maintain a 8+ CPI from 1st year itself.
* If you can get more, don't limit yourself.
* Prepare your core subjects like Computer Networks, Operating System, DBMS strong.
* Specifically for this role or any other role like QA, SRE, keep your Linux and Software Engineering (SE) strong.
* For other roles like SDE, keep your DSA strong. Practice enough on leetcode, geeksforgeeks, etc. platforms.
* Keep learning, evolving and participate in as many contests as you can and then upsolve the ones you weren't able to solve.
* Do not neglect your academics while doing Competitive Programming, Hackathons or doing other stuff.
* ‌ Be active in your lectures and labs ( this can benefit you in viva and exams).
* ‌It is natural that you don't know a lot of stuff - both during college and in an interview. Be brave enough to be honest and politely say no and take your time learning those things if they interest you.
* ‌Keep networking
* ‌Keep improving your communication skills - a lot of students are good coders but worse speakers.It is equally important to communicate your ideas well.
* ‌ Last but not the least, maintain a routine where you can relax as well. **"ALL WORK AND NO PLAY MAKES JACK A DULL BOY"**.
* So, prepare well, perform well , don't stress and ace your interviews.