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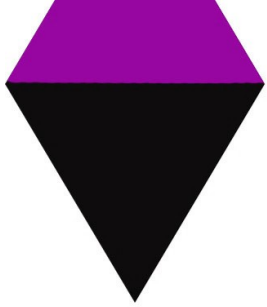
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E-CELL

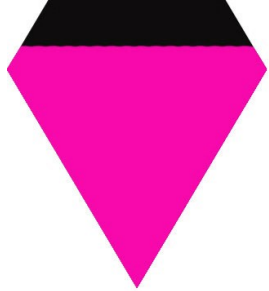


PALAK KAPOOR

THE E-CELL WAS SET UP WITH A VISION TO DEVELOP AN ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM THROUGHOUT INDIA BY EMPOWERING THE STUDENT COMMUNITY. SOME OF THE KEY ACTIVITIES THAT WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE E-CELL ARE:

- **ORGANIZING ENTREPRENEURSHIP-RELATED SEMINARS**
- **CONDUCTING ENTREPRENEURSHIP WORKSHOPS**
- **VENTURE CAPITALISTS' INTERACTION WITH STUDENTS**
- **PARTICIPATING IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND TECHNOPRENEURSHIP EVENTS AND CONFERENCES ACROSS THE COUNTRY**
- **INFORMING STUDENTS ABOUT UPCOMING BUSINESS CONTESTS AND HELPING THEM WITH THE SAME**
- **INTERACTING WITH ENTREPRENEURSHIP CELLS & INCUBATION CENTERS OF OTHER COLLEGES**
- **ORGANIZING VARIOUS OUTREACH PROGRAMS FOR THE BENEFIT OF SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS BY PROMOTING ENTREPRENEURSHIP AMONG THEM.**
- **FOR LAYING A STRONG FOUNDATION, IIITG'S STARTUP CELL WILL NEED TO PARTNER WITH STARTUP CELLS OF MENTOR INSTITUTES TO WITNESS AND LEARN FROM THEM THE TECHNIQUES OF FUNCTIONING AND GROWTH.**
- **ALSO IIITG'S STARTUP CELL WILL BE FUNDAMENTALLY EXPECTED TO HELP BUDDING ENTREPRENEURS FROM THE IIITG STUDENT FRATERNITY.**
- **IT WILL ALSO FORM A MENTOR COMMUNITY TO HELP STUDENTS DEVELOP AND VALIDATE THEIR IDEAS.**
- **IT WILL FORM A STARTUP SERVICE PROGRAM THROUGH WHICH STUDENTS CAN AVAIL SERVICES NEEDED TO DEVELOP THEIR PRODUCT FROM EXTERNAL PARTIES AT DISCOUNTED PRICES.**
- **IT WILL ALSO CREATE AN ALUMNI PORTAL, THROUGH WHICH ALUMNI CAN INVOLVE IN STARTUPS FROM IIITG AND HELP THEM WITH THE FUNDING AND SCALING PROCESS.**
- **APART FROM THESE THINGS, SIMULTANEOUSLY THE E-CELL SHALL DEVELOP A WEBSITE (ONLINE PLATFORM) AND INFORM STUDENTS ABOUT UPCOMING BUSINESS CONTESTS AND HELP THEM PREPARE FOR THE SAME, AND ALSO USE THIS PLATFORM TO CONDUCT ONLINE LECTURE SERIES AND AMA (ASK ME ANYTHING) SESSIONS TO HELP AND INSPIRE STUDENTS. THIS PLATFORM WILL BE FURTHER USED TO MAINTAIN NETWORK WITH OUR ALUMNI, INVESTORS AND MENTORS.**
- **ALSO, A PRE INCUBATION FACILITY WILL BE CREATED IN ORDER TO FOSTER AND HELP THE EXISTING STARTUPS IN OUR INSTITUTE . WE SHALL STRIVE TO CREATE AN INCUBATION CENTER ITSELF IN A YEAR (AS SOON WE SHIFT TO OUR PERMANENT CAMPUS).**

THE STARTUP CELL WILL NOT LIMIT ITSELF TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACTIVITIES AND TRY TO TAILOR THE ACTIVITIES TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BATCH. EVERY YEAR, IT WILL ENSURE THAT THE SCHEDULE IS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE STUDENTS TO MAKE IT MORE PURPOSEFUL.



INTERVIEW PAVAN DEVARA (PRESIDENT GYMKHANA COUNCIL)



NILOTPOLA SARMA

DEVARA PAVAN KUMAR FROM THIRD YEAR B.TECH ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT MORE POPULARLY KNOWN AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT'S GYMKHANA COUNCIL TALKS ABOUT HIMSELF, ON THE GYMKHANA COUNCIL AND DROPS HINTS OF WHAT IS NEW THIS YUVAAN. THE PRESIDENT OF IIITG'S SECOND GYMKHANA COUNCIL, HE TALKS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE COUNCIL AND MANY MORE. READ ON TO FIND OUT.

TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOURSELF. YOUR HOBBIES AND INTERESTS.

I AM A SIMPLE PERSON WHO JUST WANTS TO LEAD A HAPPY LIFE, AS MUCH AS IS POSSIBLE. IF THERE IS SOMETHING I BELIEVE IN AND WANT TO TELL OTHERS THAT WOULD BE THE FOLLOWING: DO NOT LOSE HOPE OR GIVE UP ON ANYTHING YOU WANT TO DO. MAKE THE BEST OF THE LEAST YOU'VE GOT. PERFORM YOUR DUTIES AND ABIDE BY THE RULES TO BRING THE CHANGE AND BE AN INSPIRATION. MY HOBBIES ARE PLAYING ANY GAME ESPECIALLY CRICKET, HANG OUT WITH FRIENDS WHILE I AM INTERESTED TO EXPLORE KNOWLEDGE REGARDING EXTRA DIMENSIONS, SPACE, UNIVERSE AND ALSO HISTORICAL EVENTS.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN HAVING AN AIM IN LIFE? IF YES CAN YOU PLEASE SHARE IT WITH OUR READERS?

YES, I DO. AIM IS THE THING WHICH DRIVES US TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. BUT, AIM SHOULD BE AS SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE. ALSO WE SHOULD NOT INDULGE IN SOMETHING WE ARE NOT PROPERLY AWARE OF AND THEN AIM, WHICH MIGHT PROBABLY LEAVE US WITH ONLY REGRET IN THE END. MY AIM IS STILL NOT TOO SPECIFIC BUT I WANT TO END UP WHERE I HAVE TO FACE SOME SORT OF NEW CHALLENGE EVERY DAY IN MY LIFE AND I HAVE COME TO BELIEVE THAT RESEARCH IS ONE FIELD THAT FULFILLS THIS CRITERIA.

THE POST OF THE PRESIDENT COMES WITH A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE YOU WERE ELECTED THE PRESIDENT OF THE IIITG STUDENT'S GYMKHANA COUNCIL. HOW HAS THE JOURNEY BEEN SO FAR FOR YOU?

SO FAR THE JOURNEY HAS BEEN QUITE SMOOTH EXCEPT FOR PROBLEMS IN A FEW SITUATIONS. AND AS FAR AS RESPONSIBILITY IS CONCERNED, OBVIOUSLY EVERY JOB WE TAKE UP IS AN ONUS WHICH WE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO CARRY OUT. BUT THE WHOLE COUNCIL HAS BEEN WORKING HARD FROM THE DAY IT WAS HANDED OVER TO US FOR THE PROGRESS OF THE STUDENT COMMUNITY AND THE INSTITUTE. I

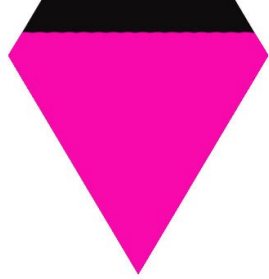
HOW MUCH DO YOU THINK IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PLAN YOU HAD IN MIND FOR THE COUNCIL AND THE WAY YOU COULD IMPLEMENT IT? WHAT WERE THE DIFFICULTIES YOU HAD TO FACE?

ACTUALLY THE MEMBERS IN THE COUNCIL ARE WORKING EVEN MORE THAN THEY HAVE TO FOR THE INSTITUTE. SO, EXECUTION OF PLANS WHICH I HAD IN MIND AND THOSE WHICH ARE NECESSARY HAVE BEEN PRETTY EASY. HOWEVER, AS PER MY AGENDA LIST, THERE ARE STILL SOME PLANS AWAITING COMPLETION. I SHALL WORK TOWARDS THEM POST YUVAAN. OF COURSE THERE HAS BEEN SOME TURBULENCE ALONG THE PATH, LIKE CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES AND ALSO THE FACT THAT WE CAN'T PLEASE EVERYONE AT THE SAME TIME, HOWEVER IN ANY SUCH SITUATION WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO ACHIEVE THE BEST POSSIBLE RESOLUTION.

YUVAAN IIITGS ANNUAL TECHNO-CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA IS ROUND THE CORNER AND PEOPLE ARE VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT IT. CAN YOU PLEASE SHARE SOME DETAILS ON WHAT IS DIFFERENT THIS YUVAAN?

AS THIS IS THE 3RD EDITION OF YUVAAN WE ARE TRYING TO ROLL OUT BIGGER AND BETTER THAN THE PREVIOUS EDITION. IN THIS EDITION WE HAVE ADDED A FEW MORE EVENTS AND ALSO EXCITING PRIZES FOR THE WINNERS OF ALL EVENTS. THIS WOULD HELP IN INCREASING THE FOOTFALL AND PARTICIPATION FROM OTHER COLLEGES. THIS TIME

YUVAAN IS ALSO ADVOCATING THE SOCIAL CAUSE OF MENSTRUAL HYGIENE. AND THERE ARE A FEW MORE THINGS WHICH I WOULD LIKE THE PEOPLE TO DISCOVER AS THE EVENT PROGRESSES.



INTERVIEW PAVAN DEVARA (PRESIDENT GYMKHANA COUNCIL)



IF YOU COULD CHANGE SOMETHING ABOUT IIITG WHAT WOULD YOU CHANGE?

FIRSTLY, I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A LITTLE EXPANSION OF THE POWERS OF THE COUNCIL. THE PRIME THING I WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE IS TO BRING A HUGE BRANDING AND FAME. BECAUSE, ONCE WE GET A HUGE BRANDING I.E., REACH THAT THRESHOLD THEN THE INSTITUTE WILL GROW AUTOMATICALLY FROM THAT POINT.

HOW IMPORTANT IT IS AND WHY DO YOU THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR A COLLEGE TO HAVE A GYMKHANA COUNCIL?

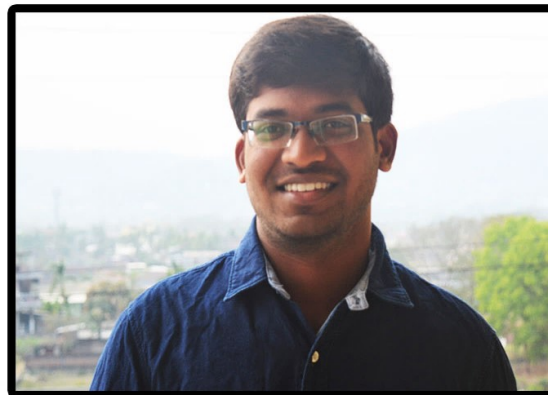
HOW DO WE KNOW THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS? BY CHOOSING A FEW STUDENTS AND ASKING THEM. GYMKHANA PROVIDES STUDENTS THE PLATFORM AND OPPORTUNITY TO SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS. IT IS SELF RULE. THIS IS THE BODY WHICH HELPS THE STUDENTS TO FULFILL DECISIONS ACCORDING TO THEIR NEEDS. IT IS THE ONUS OF THE COUNCIL TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE STUDENT COMMUNITY.

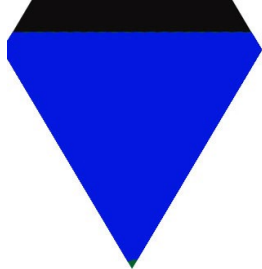
WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT IIITG ?

THE BEST THING ABOUT IIITG IS THAT IT IS LIKE ONE SMALL CLOSE-KNIT FAMILY. AND IT IS ONLY THIS BOND BECAUSE OF WHICH WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACHIEVE SUCH LAURELS DESPITE OUR AGE AND LIMITED RESOURCES.

IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE THE ELECTIONS BUT IF YOU COULD RECALL AND SHARE THE FIRST REACTION YOU HAD WHEN YOU CAME TO KNOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN ELECTED PRESIDENT.

I WAS OVERJOYED, TO SAY THE VERY LEAST! AND I ALSO FELT A SORT OF SELF SATISFACTION FOR HAVING WON IN A HEALTHY COMPETITION. AT THE SAME TIME, I WAS BECOMING MENTALLY PREPARED TO HANDLE ALL THE RESPONSIBILITIES THAT WERE GOING TO COME MY WAY. BUT YES, THAT IS ONE MOMENT THAT I SHALL NEVER FORGET IN MY ENTIRE LIFE.





TALK BY KARAN AHUJA & RAHUL ISLAM



SOURISH DHEKANE

IT IS SAID THAT THE BEST DREAMS ARE NOT WHAT YOU SEE IN SLEEP. THEY ARE THE THINGS THAT DO NOT LET YOU SLEEP! SUCH DREAMS WERE SEEN AND SUCCESSFULLY CHASED BY KARAN AHUJA AND RAHUL ISLAM, WHO ARE FORMER STUDENTS OF IIITG, IN FACT THEY ARE FROM THE VERY FIRST ALUMNI BATCH OF IIITG - THE BATCH OF 2013. KARAN AHUJA, CURRENTLY A PH.D. STUDENT AT CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY (CMU) AND RAHUL ISLAM, HAVING EXPERIENCE OF ESTABLISHING 3 STARTUPS, DELIVERED A TALK ON JANUARY 4TH, 2018, TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES.

IT WAS HELD IN THE CLASSROOM "C2" AT 3 PM. IT RECEIVED AN OVERWHELMING PARTICIPATION AS STUDENTS RIGHT FROM THE 1ST YEAR UP TO 4TH YEAR ATTENDED THE TALK.

KARAN AHUJA MAINLY FOCUSED ON THE PROSPECTS OF DOING PH.D., ITS APPLICATION PROCESS, AND PREPARATION NEEDED FOR IT. HE ALSO TALKED ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCE AT CMU. HE EXPLAINED HIS FIELD OF RESEARCH WITH THE HELP OF A SHORT VIDEO. HE ALSO ANSWERED MANY QUESTIONS REGARDING METHODS TO BUILD A STRONG RESEARCH PROFILE. ON THE OTHER HAND, RAHUL ISLAM SHARED HIS EXPERIENCES WITH THE START-UPS AND EXPLAINED THE NECESSARY QUALITIES TO SUCCESSFULLY RUN A START-UP. HE ALSO DESCRIBED HIS FAILED ATTEMPT OF ESTABLISHING HIS OWN START-UP IN 2ND YEAR SO AS TO MAKE EVERYONE AWARE OF WHAT TO DO AND WHAT NOT TO DO. LASTLY, HE MOTIVATED THE AUDIENCE TO STRIVE FOR PERFECTION IN THEIR OWN FIELDS THROUGH HARD WORK AND PERSEVERANCE.

THE TALK PROVED TO BE A BOON FOR THE STUDENTS OF IIITG AS MANY ENTHUSIASTS FOUND A WAY TO ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS. IT IS HOPED THAT SUCH TALKS KEEP ON HAPPENING SO THAT THE STUDENTS OF IIITG GET MAXIMUM EXPOSURE OF THE WORLD OUTSIDE

ALSO, WE MUST MENTION THAT IT GIVES US IMMENSE PLEASURE AND PRIDE TO SEE OUR ALUMNI DOING SO WELL. WE WISH BOTH KARAN AHUJA AND RAHUL ISLAM, AND ALSO ALL THE OTHER STUDENTS OF THE BATCH OF 2013, SUCCESS IN ALL THEIR ENDEAVOURS





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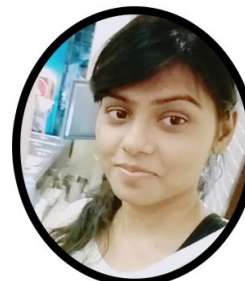
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