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From the Editor's Desk...

"Normality is a paved road: It's comfortable to walk, but no flowers grow on it."

- Vincent van Gogh, Dutch Painter

Having endured more than a year and a half of pandemic-related stress, people will have varying levels of comfort when it comes to resuming regular normal life, even post-vaccination. We need to recognize that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to life after vaccination. It took people a long time to adopt various public health measures to counter the spread of the corona-virus, and it will also take a long time for people's attitudes and beliefs to return to normal, if that is ever possible. We may soon reach the 100 crore figure with respect to vaccine shots, however, remaining cautious is a very good idea.

India's economy has recovered swiftly after the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic and data suggests that growth will be faster in the upcoming quarters, especially during the festive season. A rapid revival in the services sector and manufacturing activity has been witnessed. Business activity has shown improvement. Rising exports, growth in consumer activity and higher bank credit are also indicators that more people are willing to spend higher amounts in the coming days. Shops are experiencing crowds. Even without extravagant public celebrations, people are feeling the festive vibes. Tourists are venturing out on vacations. There are several challenges that remain including high levels of unemployment, fear of a possible third wave and income inequality, but there is no denying the fact that life is surely and steadily limping back to track. Colleges have opened and with talks of vaccines for kids around the corner, schools may soon experience hustle and bustle of vibrant, laughing kids.

We need to remain positive and should continue to give our best with optimism. At IMIS, we are happy to be having regular activities, albeit with precautionary covid guidelines. As far as new jobs and placements are concerned, a general upbeat mood prevails. That day doesn't look far-away when we would steam ahead and though not forgotten, dark memories of covid would have blurred.....

EXORDIUM - 2021

Online Management Induction Programme (4th Aug-18th Aug)

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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Session 1

Welcome to Freshers

Address by Chairman Dr. K. K. Beuria Director, Dr. Usha Kamilla

ICE BREAKING

Dr. Debasmita Panigrahi

Faculty Member (HRM & OB), IMIS, Bhubaneswar

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Session 2

'Welcome to the World of Management'

Address by

Dr. Asit Mohapatra

Professor (HR), IIM-Ranchi Former Director (HR), Raymonds Textiles Ltd., Former Sr. Vice President (HR), Future Supply Chain Solutions Ltd.

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Session 3

'Effective Communication'

Address by

Dr. Ananya Roy Pratihar

Faculty Member (Business Communication & Soft Skills) IMIS, Bhubaneswar

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Session 4

'Leveraging the Power of Information Technology'

Address by

Dr. Sibaranjan Mohapatra (Alumnus 1995-97)

Enterprise Architect Senior Director Change Healthcare, Dallas, USA

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Session 5

'Finance - The Backbone of Business'

Address by Mr. Sashi Ranjan Dash Sr. Consultant Deloitte India

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Session 6

'The Threshold'

Address by

Ms. Nandini Chaudhuri

(Alumnus 2004-06) Sr. Branch Manager Commonwealth Bank of Australia Melbourne, Australia

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Session 7

'Creativity - An Essence of Life'

Address by Ms. Sujata Das

(Alumnus 1997-99) **Group Trading Director** Amplifi, Dentsu International, Mumbai

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Session 8

'Case Method of Learning'

Address by

Prof. Supratim Pratihar

Assistant Professor (Marketing) IMIS, Bhubaneswar

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Session 9

'Your New Identity - A **Professional**

Address by

Mr. Nabarun Deka

(Alumnus 2003-05) National Lead Marketing Transformation,

V Guard Industries Ltd., Kochi

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Session 10

'The Road to Success'

Address by Mr. Shantonu Chaudhuri

(Alumnus 1998-2000) Business Manager, Toyota, Sydney

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Session 11

'Marketing Instincts'

Address by Mr. Debasish Rout

(Alumnus 1996-98) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Deejay Distilleries, Mumbai

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Session 12

'Career Trends'

Address by Dr. Surya Dev

Professor & Dean (Career Development) IMIS. Bhubaneswar

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Session 13

'Managing the Human Behaviour'

Address by

Ms. Sanchita Guha

(Alumnus 2002-04) Chief Manager (HR) Kotak Mahindra Bank, Mumbai

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Session 14

'Lateral Thinking'

Address by

Prof. Rakhi Dutta

Faculty Member (Marketing) IMIS, Bhubaneswar

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Session 15

Session 18

'Executive Etiquettes'

Address by

Dr. Ashish Mohanty

Faculty Member

(Business Communication & Soft Skills), IMIS. Bhubaneswar

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Session 16

'HR Manager of Tomorrow'

Address by

Mr. Amiya Pattanayak Ex Executive Director (HR & Admn) National Aluminum Company Ltd (NALCO) Bhubaneswar

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Session 17

'Competing with Competition'

Address by Mr. Pritam Purukayastha

(Alumnus 2001-03) Regional Marketing Manager, Pernod Ricard, Bhubaneswar

Session 20

'IMIS GOT TALENT'

Dr. Ananya Roy Pratihar

16 AUGUST 'Self Branding'

Address by

Ms. Sukanya Roy Chaudhury

(Alumnus 2000-02)

Founder & Chief Knowledge Engineer, Learning Levers, Mumbai

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Session 19

'Business is Marketing'

Address by

Mr. Debasish Ghosh Choudhury (Alumnus 1999-01) Asst. General Manager, L'Oreal India, Mumbai

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Dr. Ashis Mohanty &

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Session 21

'IMIS GOT TALENT'

Co-ordinated by Dr. Ashis Mohanty & Dr. Ananya Roy Pratihar

CHOOSING BUSINESS OVER JOB

In today's scenario, everyone prefers to have a job, which is a good thing, where we get a secured and set life. Job life gives peaceful sleep and fixed monthly income. But we can't say that job life is always a very secure one because we all know that in this COVID19 pandemic, many people have lost their jobs and have faced a lot of difficulties. Many companies have fired experienced people too. The companies have done this to create vacancies for the young and new employees, but more so to reduce the high salary payout to the more experienced employees. Several companies have also stopped hiring new people.

But there is another world, where one handles one's own business or opens one's own enterprise. Opening a company and handling it, bearing the risk, and shouldering all the stress is not an easy feat, still, it gives you the freedom in life to become whoever and whatever you want to be. Being a business-person, you don't limit your growth, rather you challenge your potential, and try your level best to explore all the risks in the business world to achieve success. From my own experience, I can say - in the business world, you don't get bored of doing the same things regularly, rather every day springs up a new lesson to learn and a new page to explore, more about what you knew but never thought of, or something you never knew or anybody thought about.

People do choose jobs first, in a hurry to earn money, but many people leave their jobs and start their enterprises to fulfil their dream and follow their passion. One question may arise in your mind as to what about those people who are not from a business family. How they will get into a business?

I will like to cite the example of Ritesh Agarwal, founder of OYO Rooms. He started his start-up without being from a business family. He loved travelling, so he understood the problem of hotel accommodation. He found out the solution in terms of online booking, standardized, value for money service, and entered the market in hotel aggregation, and achieved success. He is the second youngest billionaire in 2021 in India.

I can share with you a story which is not so popular, but the person is very successful in her business. A lady named Mamata Hegde from Bengaluru. She was working in an NGO as a teacher, earning Rs.6000 per month. She was not at all satisfied with her salary and job, so she decided to search for another good job. She faced problems as she only knew the Kannada language. She failed to get a well paying job even after trying for five years. Her lawyer husband supported her a lot. He suggested her to open her own business and enrolled her in the training programme by the Ministry of MSME, from which, she learned the ropes of starting a business. She took financial aid from her husband and a bank for starting her shop in 2016, named "Shree" Nandan Crème Glacee", an ice-cream parlour in Bengaluru, with an investment of Rs. 10 lakhs. At first, she offered other ice cream brands and sold flavoured milk. Within a year, she started making ice cream and selling customized sundaes. The parlour offers an extensive range of cold delights in a variety of flavours like fruit ice-creams, Italian Gelato, sundaes and shakes at reasonable prices. According to Mamata, she manages a daily footfall of around 200 people and has three employees working under her. The company has an annual turnover of around Rs.20 lakhs. She says, "The reasonable rates with best tastes win customers and help in repeat transactions with them".

In the end, I would like to say that the world is full of opportunities, but most of us choose a safe career by going into a job, where we get a good and secured peaceful life. But at a certain point of time, we all should try to start doing something new, as in today's scenario, job seekers are more than the job givers. By creating employment, one can not only derive satisfaction but also contribute towards growth of the economy of the country.

Teresa Roy PGDM 2019-21

Independence Day Celebration at IMIS









Ganesh Puja Celebration at IMIS











Mr. Manjit K. Tiwari

Manager, PAS Workforce Advisory, Ernst & Young, Bangalore

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1) TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

I am a Manager in People Advisory Services, Workforce Advisory at EY. I have spent 10 years in consulting role in global HR transformation programs focused on solution design, operating model design and deployment, reimagine HR organization and Future of HR.

2) ABOUT YOUR SPOUSE (IF ANY) AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS

My wife, Nikhita works in talent function for one of the largest professional services organization. She has some serious talent in baking and we both share the interest to explore the world, one country at a time.

3) SOME OF YOUR BEST ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEARS AFTER YOU PASSED OUT FROM IMIS

- I spent 4 years in a startup, learning a lot of things in small scale that gave me a robust foundation to excel in large scale HR transformation.
- Ihave been part of the largest HR transformation on earth, impacting over 300,000 employees.

4) YOUR VIEWS ON CAREER GROWTH IN YOUR PARTICULAR SECTOR

The focus in HR consulting is gradually shifting from being specialized in an area to be fungible across multiple competencies that fuels agility and suits the ever-dynamic business needs. This is more relevant in post Covid-19 world where organizations are looking to build such capabilities in people function like Workforce Vitality Engineers, Performance Architects, and Experience Amplifiers.

5) YOUR COMPANY'S RECRUITMENT PROCESS AND YOUR REMARKS ON IT

We continue to grow our team by hiring exceptional talent. Please explore the Global Careers Page at EY. https://lnkd.in/eDcK2tg

6) YOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR JUNIORS

As a fresher, you are at an advantage of being closer to how things should be by books. Spend considerable time in knowing the trends and "what great looks like". Learn about how organizations are building RPA capabilities, HR technology like SAP SF, Workday, and Service Now.

7) FOR YOUR ALMA MATER

I still cherish memories of classes taken by our respected professors. Can't miss to mention our Financial Management classes taken by Prof. Surya Dev (I take inspiration to run my client workshops) and many more.



Dr. Radhakrishna Mishra Assistant Professor Finance

PhD. Awarded

 Prof. (Dr.) Radhakrishna Mishra has been awarded with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD.) in Financial Management from the PG Department of Business Administration, Utkal university for his thesis titled "A study of Size and Value Effect on Returns in Indian Stock Market".



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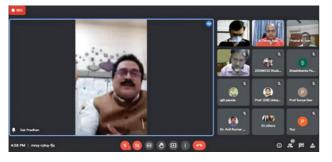
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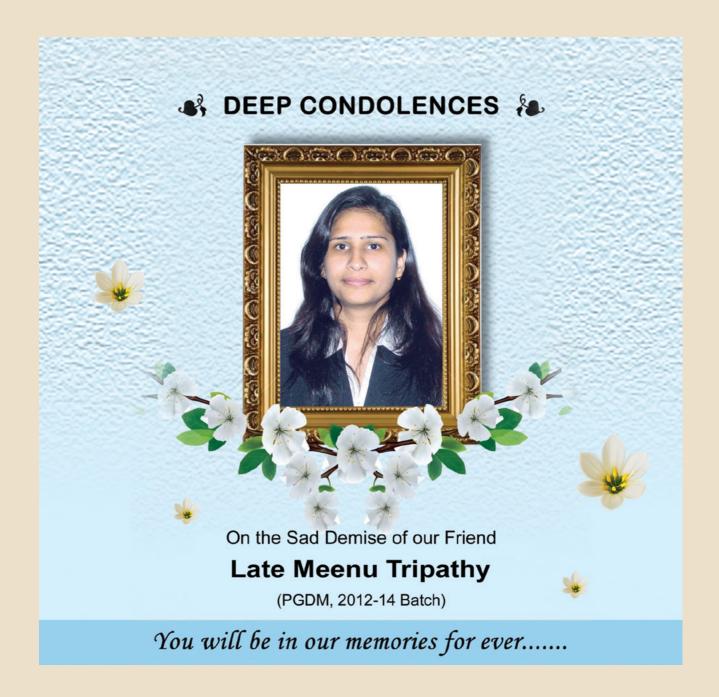
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