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BCA Students Participation in GDG DEVFEST HACKATHON 2019

28th & 29th September 2019



Two Students of the Dept. of Computer Science, Mr. Jaynold Barreto and Mr. Siddhant Kholkar participated in the 24 hours Hackathon at Google Developer Group DevFest 2019 on 28th & 29th September. As a part of DevFest 2019, there were 2 sub-events. The first was Battle Ground, a 24 hours hackathon for students. The second was Fest, which involved Speaker sessions by Googlers, Google Developer Experts, TedX Speaker, Community Leads, CEO's etc.

The students participated in Battle Ground. For this event, they were provided with problem statements. From the problem statements mentioned to them, they

chose to create a website on spreading awareness on the rising climate crisis.

The students started off at 11am on the first day, by designing the interface which included the UI/UX aspect of the website, which took about 6 hours of their allotted time. In the next step they started learning the technologies that were required i.e. CSS animations, bootstrap and Ajax which took them about 8 hours. Students were able to complete upto the CSS animations into their website. Further the step that followed was development and simultaneous testing of the website.

The students took turns in taking quick power naps as it was a continuous 24 Hour event. They did face multiple hurdles along the way such as technical failures and decline in their motivation to continue. However, they were glad to have this experience as they got the opportunity to interact with many interesting people (fellow participants) and to also learn and implement new knowledge throughout the 24 hours Hackathon.

At the end of the 24 Hours Hackathon on the next day at 11am, each group presented their product focusing on the features and functionality. There were three judges, who were impressed by the efforts put in by our students in designing a beautiful and functionally robust system. The Hackathon concluded on a motivating note by the judges who expressed their delight on seeing remarkable work done by all the students.

The BCA students had a never-before experience which made them more intuitive towards their learning with speed and overcoming hurdles in their way. The Computer Science department congratulated the students for a fruitful participation in the Hackathon.

Signing of MoUs

31th October 2019

Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics, Margao, entered into MOUs with two colleges belonging to the Pune District Education Association, Pune.

Principal Dr. Nitin Ghorpade of PDEA's Baburaoji Golap College, Sangvi, Pune and Principal Dr. Tanaji Nivrutti Salve of PDEA's Annasaheb Waghire College of Arts, Commerce & Science, Otur, Pune, were present at Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics, Margao to sign the MOUs. Through the signing of these



MOUs the three institutions agreed to cooperate and collaborate in all academic areas, share practices and experiences in the areas of curriculum development, teaching, learning and evaluation, outreach activities, research projects and consultancy projects. The colleges shall have regular exchanges of faculty and students for the purpose of academic as well as cultural enrichment.

Principal Dr. Prita D. Mallya signed the MOUs on behalf of Shree Damodar College of Commerce & Economics, Margao, in the presence of Dr. Rodney D'Silva, Vice Principal, Dr. Maithili Naik, In-charge of MOUs and Dr. Edwin Barreto, Coordinator- B. Com. Program.

Training at Fire Department

1st, 2nd & 4th November 2019

The Department of Computer Science in association with the Dept. of Fire and Emergency Services St. Inez, Panaji conducted a 3-day Training Program for BCA and B.Voc. students on 1st, 2nd and 4th November, 2019 from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm at the Department of Fire and Emergency Services, Government of Goa, St. Inez Panaji. Mr. Bhiku Bhave was the faculty incharge of the activity. This Training program is a part of curriculum for all BCA and BVoc students who have enrolled for Role of Junior Software Developer course.

Day 1:

This session started with the concept of Chemistry of Combustion, basic fire safety and first aid. In this session students were told about the triangle of fire, different types of fire and how to extinguish the fire. In the second session, there was demonstration and practice in handling fire extinguishers.

Day 2:

This session began with an introduction of basic life support and CPR in the morning. Later, students were taught how to investigate casualties using AVPU, SAMPLE and DCABTLS techniques. Students also had a practice session on how to give CPR and 30:2 cycle. In the second session they learnt the procedure of conducting evacuation drills and also had a demonstration of the same.

Day 3:

The third day comprised only practical sessions. Students practiced how to tie



different knots and learned their usage. Students also learned how to use stretchers. The second session gave information about the fire tender vehicle. Students were also informed about maintenance of different equipment used. Students also acquired knowledge on handling LPG leakages and fire.

All the sessions were very interactive and students participated actively. The student feedback was very positive and they were of the opinion that such sessions should be conducted in the College for faculty members, parents and students as well. They also suggested that fire audit and maintenances should be conducted by the institution periodically.

Presentation Session by a Research Scholar

2nd November 2019



The Research Cell organised a presentation session by a Research Scholar in the Smart Classroom on November 2, 2019 from 12.15 to 1.15 pm. Mr. Sandesh Gaonkar, Assistant Professor of Commerce and Management introduced the Research Scholar Dr. Mamta Kumari, who was awarded her PhD in Mathematics on September 23, 2019.

The objective of her doctoral research was to study differential equations with deviating arguments.

The session concluded at 1.15 pm. The teachers in charge were Dr. Lira Gama and Mr. Sandesh Gaonkar. Mr. Sandesh Gaonkar

proposed the Vote of Thanks

NSS Annual Special Camp 2019

4th – 10th November 2019



The NSS Annual Special Camp 2019 of the College NSS Unit was organised at Shri Shantadurga Chamundeshwar Kudtari Mahamaya Saunthan Ghudo Avedem Quepem – Goa from 4th to 10th November, 2019. The following activities were conducted during these 7 days.

Day 1 - 4th November 2019

A group of 24 NSS Volunteers and 4 Program officers reached the camp site. The volunteers

cleaned their rooms and temple premises in the evening.

Day 2 - 5th November 2019

The day started with a morning walk and warm up exercises. The Inaugural function was held at the temple hall at 10.30 a.m. The Sarpanch of Avedem Panchayat, Mr Roque Alleluia Alfonso was invited as the Chief Guest for the function and the Vice Principal of the College, Dr. Rodney D'Silva was the Guest of Honour. Dr. Rodney D'Silva delivered the welcome address. The NSS Chief Program officer Ms. Sharmila Kunde briefed the students about various activities which were planned for the camp. The Chief Guest spoke about some of the initiatives of the Government such as Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan and requested everyone to participate wholeheartedly in its implementation. He also familiarised the students with the village and extended his full

cooperation and support for the activities that would be carried out in the village.

In the evening there was a session delivered by Mr. Shrikant Madar, Asst. Professor in Economics. He spoke on various government schemes and also explained to the students methods of conducting a survey.

Day 3 - 6th Nov 2019

The day started with a morning walk and warm up exercises. This was followed by a Household Survey in the locality of

Avedem Quepem. The students visited the households, got the survey forms filled and created awareness about the various schemes provided by the Government. They also interacted with the locals to know their issues and problems they are facing. In the afternoon, a session on "Motivation and leadership" was conducted by Mr. Kennedy, former Principal of Don Bosco College, Panjim. In his session, he shared his life experiences when he went on hikes and other adventure-based activities. He encouraged the students and made them believe that even a single individual can make a difference and that they can achieve whatever they dream.

Day 4 - 7th Nov 2019

A health checkup camp was organised in association with JCI Coastal Salcette and Lions Club of Canacona. The Sarpanch of Avedem panchayat spoke a few words and inaugurated the health camp. Mr. Adrian Torres, President of Lions Club of Canacona introduced the officials of the clubs to the Program Officers of the College present. Dr. Sonal Sawant was the Medical Officer present at the function. A free general health and Diabetes checkup was provided to about 42 participants which included villagers of the locality and the NSS Volunteers and teachers.

In the afternoon, a session on team building was organised by Ms. Ashwini Yadav, a national level motivational trainer associated with the JCI and Legal Advisor for the Navy. She discussed the significance of team building with the volunteers and the same was demonstrated in the form of team games. It was a very enriching and fruitful session.



Day 5 - 8th November 2019

In view of the imposition of Section 144, the activities planned for this day were cancelled.

Day 6 - 9th November 2019

The Director of Physical Education and Sports, Mr. Ajinkya Kudtarkar, conducted a session on health and fitness and stressed the importance of eating a healthy and balanced diet. He discussed various types of diets that

one can follow and tips to stay fit and healthy were given. The Valedictory programme was organized in the evening. Ms. Anjali Sajilal, Principal In-charge and Dr. Vishal Chari, Member, NSS Advisory Committee, Goa University were present for the function. This was followed by a cultural program and campfire.

Day 7- 10th November 2019

The NSS volunteers cleaned the temple premises and their rooms and returned on the same day

Educational Tour

11th – 15th November 2019

The BBA(FS) department of the College organised a study tour to Mumbai from 11th to 15th November 2019. 39 students along with 7 faculty members participated in the study tour. The first visit was to the National Stock Exchange (NSE), where students attended a session conducted by Mr. Purv Shah. The speaker started the session by introducing the working of the stock market. He also explained the different terminologies associated with the stock market. He classified trading into four important segments i.e. order, trade, clear and settle, and



exhibited the trading screen at NSE based on the online trading platform of NSE, the National Exchange for Automated Trading (NEAT). Along with this he also gave valuable insights into the problems faced by NSE on account of SEBI mandates, etc.

The next visit was to the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI). The session was conducted by Mrs. Sapna Sinha. She gave a brief introduction about SEBI as a regulator. During the session she explained the role and powers of the SEBI and development of the Indian Securities market. She also delineated the other key areas of the capital market viz. Derivatives market,

Commodities market, etc.

On the following day, the students visited the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) where they attended the session conducted by Dr. V. Aditya Srinivas, the Chief Economist and Chief Operating Officer of BSE. At the start of the session, Mr. Srinivas exhibited the trading screen of BSE through BSE Brokers Terminal wherein he explained how a person can carry out trading online. The speaker advised the students about the different investment avenues available and how to create a good investment portfolio. He also discussed about the current economic situation and its impact on the stock market.

The sessions at different financial institutions, lively interactions with industry experts and practical exposure of live trading screen enabled the students to widen their practical knowledge of finance in general and stock markets in particular. The overall experience of the tour was very enlightening and informative.

Extension Activity – Children's Day Celebration

27th November 2019

As part of the Department's extension activity, students of the Computer Science Department organized a Children's Day activity for the children of Holy Cross Convent Orphanage, Sarfona. The activity was



conducted in collaboration with Holy Cross Orphanage and Asha Sadan Social Center. The objective of the activity was for social contribution and to spread love, and also to prove that while not all of us can do great things, we can do small things with great love.

The activities conducted were as follows

4.00 to 4.30 pm Cake cutting and feeding food to the small children,

4.30 to 5.00 pm - Clay activity: theme to create a mini computer,

5.00 to 6.00 pm Games session and Fashion Show,

6.00 pm Distributing stationery giveaways to the children.

We appreciate the efforts of students Dally Serrao, Sheehan Alcacoas, Seema Hadimani, Eshwar Rajgupta from FYBCA and Kannaiya Khataukar, Austin Gama, Chirag Bandekar, Shaunak Bale, Terence Cruz and Bhogesh Molagavalli from TYBCA. The day was about innocence, playfulness, joy and lots of love. We cherished every moment of the day. We say if we can make the world a better place for children we make it a better place for everyone.

Dear Readers,

As always, at Shree Damodar College, the emphasis is on the holistic development of students and bridging the Industry-Academia gap.

We are delighted to present the reports of activities in this edition of the E-Newsletter.

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