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Report on Online Webinar by AICTE -MIC -
A Talk cum Presentation on “From your Ph.D./ Masters Thesis to a Start-Up” –
23rd Apr 2021” - Dr. Anand Deshpande, Founder and CMD, Persistent Systems

Date: 23.04.2021

MoE's Innovation Cell organised an online webinar through MoE's Youtube Channel and the link was <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bS-0WbeLzFc>. The online webinar was related to the leadership talk by Dr. Anand Deshpande, Founder and CMD, Persistent Systems on the topic “**From your Ph.D./ Masters Thesis to a Start-Up**” conducted on 23rd Apr 2021 in the gracious presence of Prof Anil D. Sahashrabuddhe, Hon'ble Chairman AICTE, Dr. M.P. Poonia, Vice Chairman, AICTE, Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary AICTE and Dr. Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, MoE's Innovation Cell.

Institution Innovation Council (IIC) of Vinayaka Mission's Kirupananda Variyar Engineering College Salem organised and arranged the programme for the faculty and students. The session commenced at 11.00 AM. Faculty and students attended this programme at their own place using MoE's You Tube Channel. Around 200 faculty and students attended this programme and even took Geo tagged selfies and posted in social media platforms like facebook, twitter, instagrams etc.

Prof Anil D. Sahashrabuddhe, Chairman AICTE welcomed all participants and the resource person and shared his views on the topic of discussion. He said that less than 6% of the people having engineering degrees and Ph.D. opt to become a teacher.

Dr. Anand Deshpande, Founder and CMD, Persistent Systems said that if a person is doing Ph.D., he/she thinks that the only profession suitable for him/her is only teaching. Most of the people do not go beyond that and restricting themselves in one single profession and that is teaching. But in practical it is not so. He told that the area in which a person has done his/her research opens the scope for him/her to become an entrepreneur and initiate a Start-Up too. He cited example for the

mountaineers who were willing to climb even if they were not having experience of it and were pretty unknown of their journey. He wanted to say that will power and hunger are the most important characteristics of the person who wants to start something new. Without hunger, the skill and experience will be in the base camp. How one think is more important than what one know? Pick teammates for what they will do and not for what they have already done. These were the main points and suggestions by the resource persons to the participants. Be very clear about the vision, mission and goals.

The participants asked their queries through YOUTUBE comment box. The session concluded at 12.30 PM with thanks to all participants, dignitaries and resource person by Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary AICTE.



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