REPORT ON DELHI ALUMNI MEET NOVEMBER 9, 2019





Organised amidst uncertainties of Ayodhya Verdict, the Delhi Alumni Meet in the heart of the country was organised on November 9th, 2019. It was a mega event in terms of footfall, Meet & Greet. Delhi Alumni meet witnessed the Inauguration & Launch of Centre for Excellence & Block Chain Technology.

The gala meet was organised in the Tamarind Hall of India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.

The event was participated by about 180 people, including the IIHMR team. There were more than 120 Alumni and 30 of them had come with their partners. We also had senior faculty members and Alumni from Delhi campus.





Ms Shikha Mehra, the Guest of Honour for the evening and Co-Founder of the Mainchain Research and Consultancy said Blockchain has the ability to build systems that are deployed between multiple entities. Even if two entities don't trust each other blockchain system allows users to directly network with one another without compromising or breaching confidential data and blockchain can be used in the Healthcare space extensively. That is where the new centre for Excellence and blockchain

technology of IIHMR will Step in and that Mainchain Research & Consultancy is glad to be a part of it.

Expressing his joy, Dr Pankaj Gupta, President IIHMR University expressed, "an institute is only as great as its alumnus we are absolutely proud of each one of you"

Further Dr Gupta, added, that this year itself the University had 60 alumni come to the university to interact with the current students across various industry interfaces and topics. He said that the University has had chapter meets, homecomings, etc and so far, so good!



Concluding his address and ensuring the Alumni, he said, "we are trying to bring your university as close to you as we can- and we promise, we will be there for you, throughout your journey. Your success is our success- in every sense of the word."



Amongst the dignitaries on the Dias were, Dr Kapil Garg, Special Guest, Director Strategy & Projects Paras Hospitals at Group, Gurugram. Dr Kapil is also a senior Alumni from the First Batch of twoyear course of Hospital and Health Management. He expressed his gratitude towards Doctor S D Gupta saying that whatever he is today is because of him. He shared that he had been a surgeon and deciding to be in management side was tough decision. Nostalgically

he shared, "...if you ask me anyone personality that you would like to remember, I will say I had only one mentor and that is doctor S D Gupta. Whatever I am today is because of him only, rather every one of us is because of him. "He informed, "when we were passing out in 96-98 you will be surprised to know that in our time there was no single campus interview. We were not sure whether we will get a job or not all of us were restless. Doctor Gupta came to the class and said that with just one phone of mine will get a job for everybody, do it yourself..... and all of us we made a mark, it's a pleasure to meet you all of you...."

Speaking as the Chief Guest of the event Dr S D Gupta, Chairman and Management Trustee said, "I recall the days we started this path-breaking program in India. I did not know at that time what I know now. And now that I see the products, I feel overwhelmed with nostalgia. Wow, what I have done indeed! From the founding class to the 21st Batch, it is unbelievable how far we have come! "

He said that alumni have transformed the entire system of managing hospitals in India and in the world. They are transforming agents and he is proud to say that they are the true IIHMRians.

Further he expressed "what I expect from you after 50 is whatever you have gained in terms of Knowledge give it away you have done your part and you have more to do of course but it is time to also consider giving away. We look forward to a riveting academic ahead and active year participation from our alumni working in the field of block chain and technology."



The Outcomes of the Meet:

❖ The balls rolled for the launch of the Centre for Excellence and Block Chain Technology and the flyer of the same was released.



- ❖ Ms Shikha Mehra introduced the topic of Blockchain Technology to the audience.
- ❖ This time the Launch witnessed the representation of one of the Senior Alum Dr Kapil Garg, thus marking and strengthening the involvement of the Alumni.
- ❖ There was an atmosphere of nostalgic moments and jovial exchanges of greetings. This has helped to develop a deeper emotional bond between the alumni and also between the Alumni and the University.



❖ The alumni, dignitaries and senior faculty from IIHMR Delhi campus also attended the meet which added to the bonding and fruitful interactions.



- ❖ There was mutual networking for the cause of better healthcare and strengthening the bonds.
- ❖ The Alumni exchanged their thoughts about how there could be zonal chapters for the Alumni.





The Learnings for Future:

- ❖ Paucity of time for two events: In such an event where Alumni have short time to meet & greet no due justice could be done with the launch activity.
- ❖ Interaction could have been more fruitful, the group synergy required more time to build up, since most of them were interacting within their own groups. The intergroup dynamics couldn't be worked upon. Most of the Alumni could not be introduced to each other, thus totally limiting the purpose of Alumni Meet to just drink and dine.
- ❖ Outcome Benefit for win-win situation: Structured discussions with relevant conclusions for the mutual benefit of the University and the Alumni could not be done in the desired way.
- ❖ Registration Desk: The desk which was for the purpose of registration extension, in order to keep the memento etc was cluttered with too much of brochures and reading materials (Which no one picked up and weren't ready to carry). This completely hampered the registration process and gifting of memento. The lack of space prevented the team from lining up for step by step activities which made the registration process difficult.
- ❖ Contribution for a cause or something similar: The attendees were not even noticing the contributions box and to bring it to their attention, we must have something to say about the cause of the contribution or it could have been announced in a structured way

The Delhi Alumni Meet finally concluded with happy smiles and a promise to meet again.

Golden Glimpses






