

EVENT REPORT

STARTUP AND INNOVATION AWARENESS SEMINAR FOR FIRST YEAR DIPLOMA ENGINEERING STUDENTS (IT DEPARTMENT- GIA & SFI)

On September 29th, 2022, a startup and innovation awareness seminar was organized for the first-year diploma Information Technology Department students at our institute. The seminar aimed to create awareness among students about entrepreneurship, startup culture, and innovation. The seminar was conducted in the institute's auditorium and was attended by 69 students.

Speakers and Topics: The seminar was conducted by four speakers from different startup backgrounds. The first speaker, Prof. K. T. Vaghela, spoke about the importance of entrepreneurship and the skills required to become a successful entrepreneur. He shared his personal journey of starting a company and the challenges he faced. The second speaker, Dr. Arti Pamnani, discussed the startup culture and the importance of innovation. She talked about the impact of innovation on society and the role of startups in shaping the economy.

The third speaker, Mr. Tejas Patil, shared his experience of building a startup from scratch. He discussed the challenges and opportunities he faced and how he overcame them. He also talked about the importance of networking and building a strong team. The fourth and final speaker, Prof. Amitkumar Raval, discussed the various government initiatives and schemes to support startups in India. She provided information about the eligibility criteria, application process, and benefits of Student Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP).

Key Takeaways: The seminar provided valuable insights and takeaways for the students. Some of the key takeaways from the seminar were as follows:

- **Importance of entrepreneurship:** The seminar emphasized the importance of entrepreneurship and highlighted the skills required to become a successful entrepreneur.
- **Startup culture and innovation:** The seminar discussed the role of startups in shaping the economy and the importance of innovation in startups.
- **Challenges and opportunities:** The seminar provided an overview of the challenges and opportunities that come with building a startup.
- **Networking and team building:** The seminar highlighted the importance of networking and building a strong team.
- **Government initiatives and schemes:** The seminar provided information about the various government initiatives and schemes to support startups in India.

Conclusion: The startup and innovation awareness seminar provided valuable insights and information to the first-year diploma engineering students. It helped create awareness about entrepreneurship, startup culture, and innovation. The seminar also provided an opportunity for students to interact with successful entrepreneurs and learn from their experiences. We hope that the seminar will inspire students to consider entrepreneurship and startup as a career option and help them build the necessary skills to succeed in this field.