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Report on a talk titled "Striving for Excellence: in Research, in Academics, in Life"

by Prof. Rajeev Sangal, Professor-Emeritus, IIIT Hyderabad

1. Title of the Event/Activity/Program	Talk on: Striving for Excellence: in Research, in Academics, in Life
2. Date and Time	21st October 2024
3. Mode of Conduct (Physical/Online)	Physical
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5. School/Directorate/Section	Goa Business School (Discipline of Computer Science and Technology)
6. Details of the Resource Person (Brief bio data)	Prof. Rajeev Sangal, Professor-Emeritus, IIIT Hyderabad Prof. Sangal is the founding Director of IIIT Hyderabad. He was also the first Director of IIT(BHU) at Varanasi, and where he also held the charge of Vice Chancellor of BHU for a few months. He brings with him the knowledge and insights gained earlier by being Professor at IIT Kanpur. He is a researcher in AI and language translation.
7. Number of faculties attended/participated	15
8. Number of students attended/participated	3
9. Number of external students/faculty/participants	2

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10. The objective of the Event/Activity/Program	<p>The major objective of this talk was to understand and explore how research, teaching, and mentoring complement each other and are essential for achieving excellence in students and, consequently, in the institution.</p> <p>Prof. Rajiv Sangal highlighted that there are three major responsibilities of a faculty member: Conduct research, do teaching, and mentor students. All the three are necessary to inspire students and get them to go for deeper learning. It also leads to an impactful life of a faculty member.</p> <p>Teaching is the first step in inspiring students and encouraging them to explore and gain a thorough understanding. Allowing students to explore through research, makes them see the limits of knowledge and strive to go beyond.</p> <p>Finally, mentoring is an important part of student guidance, and is not limited only to a subject or a branch, but concerns life itself. Prof. Sangal emphasized that these three are complementary and are required to reach excellence - in the students, and consequently in the institution.</p>
11. Description of the Event/Activity/Program	<p>The program was initiated by Prof. Jyoti D. Pawar, by giving a background and the objective behind organizing the talk. This was followed by an introduction of the speaker by Ms. Pradnya Bhagat.</p> <p>With the help of his decades of experience, case studies, and real-life examples, Prof. Rajeev Sangal demonstrated the importance of dedication, teamwork and interdisciplinary collaboration in achieving excellence in research, academics, and life. He provided examples of initiatives such as the introduction of Machine Translation research and Natural Language Processing (NLP) in India, as well as the incubation and success of the Bhashini project, which resulted from excellence in research and collaboration.</p> <p>Prof. Sangal also highlighted the significance of using innovative methods to engage students in their studies, such as creative induction programs, and emphasized the crucial role of proper mentorship in establishing universal human values.</p> <p>At the conclusion of the talk, The Vice-Dean (Research), Senior Professor Pranab Mukhopadhyay, shared the insights the audience gained from the talk. MSc (AI) Program Coordinator Shri. S. Baskar handed over a memento to the speaker, Prof. Rajeev Sangal.</p>
11. Benefit/Key outcomes of the Program/activity/event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The importance of excellence in research, academics and life. ● Guidance on establishing research culture and collaboration among peers at an organization. ● Guidance on universal human values for efficient student mentoring.
12. Enclosures with report	Attendance sheet, Flyer of the talk, Photos of the event.

Name with Signature of coordinator(s):

Shri. Ramrao Wagh, PD, MCA, GBS

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Organises a talk on

**Striving for Excellence: in Research,
in Academics, in Life**

by
Prof. Rajeev Sangal
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IIIT Hyderabad

on

21st October 2024
2:30 pm to 5:30 pm

**Venue: Block F, Goa Business School, Goa
University**

Register at
<https://forms.gle/nrf5YnSoBeX8TZgk7>

Photos:



