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Report on Alumni talk/Connect Back to Campus Program– 12th January 2024

Name of the Event: Connect Back to Campus

Date of the Event: 12th January 2024

Time: 11.00 am onwards

Venue/ Location: Library Hall, DYPBBI

Total number of student attendees: 58

Total number of Faculty attendees: 11

Total number of Attendees: 69

Objectives:

1. To build long term relation with all the ex-students and the present students of Institute
2. To cater the professional needs of students by sharing their knowledge and expertise.

Dr. D. Y. Patil Biotechnology and Bioinformatics Institute, Pune, hosted an in-campus Alumni talk in the Library Hall of DYPBBI through the platform of "Connect Back to Campus" activity on 12th January, 2024 from 11.00 am onwards. The main focus of the program was to expose the current students of the Institute towards getting practical knowledge and guidance in their professional journey. Dr. Suchita Desai, who is one of the distinguished Alumna of M. Tech. (Int.) Biotechnology (2013-2018) and who has currently pursued her Ph.D. from the prestigious Karolinska Institutet, Sweden was invited as the guest speaker.

The session began with the introduction of the guest speaker by Dr. Ashwini Puntambekar, Alumni Coordinator, DYPBBI. Dr. Neelu Nawani, Director, DYPBBI, gave her valuable insights about the Aptitude building Program stating that this program establishes a scientific connect and also enhances the overall development of students as multi-faceted professionals. Dr. Nawani also briefed the students about the student exchange program between DPU and University of Skövde, Sweden.



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Dr. Suchita gave her detailed insights about the student exchange program between DPU and University of Skövde, Sweden and also about the educational system in Sweden. She added that the duration of the student exchange program is 1 year which is divided into 2 terms of 6 months. The first six months is the education period consisting of lectures and examinations. Lectures mainly include application based coursework followed by examinations. A student needs to give a mock practical examination before entering into the laboratories. The second six month term is the project period. Dr. Desai also added in her talk that for getting into internships as well as for the Ph.D. program at Sweden, one should visit the University website and study the topics for work under different supervisors. Ph.D. program usually includes 4-5 projects and before defending the Ph.D. thesis paper publications are required.

She also told the students that learning the basics techniques and understanding the basic concepts is important before joining into any projects. Dr. Suchita ended the talk by thanking the Institute Director, Dr. Nawani for giving her this opportunity. Around 69 attendees including the staff and students of DYPBBI participated in the event. The program was coordinated by Dr. Ashwini Puntambekar.

Dr. Suchita addressing the audience



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Dr. Nawani felicitating Dr. Suchita



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Outcome:

The session created a valuable platform for the students to connect with the Alumna and also exploring the various opportunities.

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