

Sarvajanik Education Society

Sarvajanik College of Engineering and Technology

A Report of Workshop on Meet the Startup Founder

under SSIP

Objective/s of the Session: To interact students with successful start-up founder,

know about his journey and learn invaluable lesson

from him.

Department Name: All branch students

Date: 26th September, 2019

Time: 02:30 pm to 04:30 pm

Venue: TIFAC Core Seminar Hall

Coordinator: Prof. Amit Umeshbhai Mehta and Prof Sarosh K. Dastoor

Registered Participants: 220

Attended Participants: 166

Summary:

The SSIP committee has organized workshop on "Meet the startup founder" for all the students of our institute on 26th September, 2019. The aim of this workshop was to have students interaction with successful start-up founder, know about their journey and learn invaluable lesson from them.

The expert speaker, Mr. Arvind Saraf, Founder and CEO of Wishbook (www.wishbook.io) – Organizing the biggest traditional industry in India, delivered keynote interactive lecture, where students participated in discussions enthusiastically. Mr. Saraf holds B.Tech. Degree in Computer Science from IIT Kanpur and has pursued PhD form MIT, US. Before founding Wishbook he has worked at Google and co-founded a healthcare social business.

Mr. Saraf briefly discussed about entrepreneurship, start-ups, how to initiate the journey of start-ups and entering into its world with a spark of a 'Perfect Idea'. He emphasised on effective foundation of a start-up and discussed his own experiences about successful start-up 'Wishbook'. He carried on with explaining the importance of management and analysis of market, financial, and human resources. The session became very interactive when speaker asked students to discuss about potential start-up ideas and provided solutions to students' queries. Students enjoyed interactive discussions and listening to the speaker.

The feedback statistics for some question is as mentioned in table below.

| Sr. No. | Question | Feedback Statistics | | |
|------------|---|--|--------------|------------------|
| 1 | How useful did you find the | Very Useful | Quite Useful | Not Very Useful |
| | knowledge gained from the training? | 60% | 40% | |
| 2 | How would you rate the topics | Good | Satisfactory | Poor |
| | covered and the content of the presentations? | 63% | 37% | |
| 3 | How would you rate the quality of | Good | Satisfactory | Poor |
| | the documents and presentations? | 57% | 40% | 3% |
| 4 | How engaging and effective did you | Extremely | quite | Not So Good |
| | find the speaker? | 73% | 26% | 1% |
| | Are you planning to avail the | Yes | Don't Know | No, If Not, Why? |
| 5 | Government of Gujarat SSIP Grant & Industry Mentorship through SCET for your innovative ideas/projects? | 61% | 30% | 9% |
| 6 | How would you rate the time | Adequate | Too Short | Too Long |
| | dedicated to the training session? | 86% | 11% | 3% |
| 7 | What is your overall opinion of the | Good | Satisfactory | Poor |
| | training event? | 61% | 39% | |
| 8 | Which information was most interesting to you? | Knowing how start-up works and what are thing we should aware about in marketing. To know about the terms used in marketing and I entrepreneurship. Startup funding, Startup plan, market value etc. | | |
| 9 | What do you think could be improved? | It would be good enough if you separately take management students and engineering students on a different time. | | |
| 10 | Which topics would you suggest for future training? | Entrepreneurship, Business model, Team management and product development etc. | | |
| 11 | Other remarks & recommendations (language, materials, topics, venue, etc.) | | | |

Some glimpse of the workshop is shown below.











