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Report on session by Mr. ALOK MEHTA on HIGHER EDUCATION IN USA

Today a session on “Higher Education in USA” for Mechanical Engineering Students is taken by Mr. Alok Mehta. Mr. Alok is currently the New Product Materials Project Manager co-pp at Cummins Inc., USA & his work profile includes projects based on Material flow, Supply chain management, Vendor Development, Cost Reduction & Packaging improvement projects. He is also working as a plant representative for a Global Supply Chain Management project aimed at elimination of expendable packaging for engine components coming from India and China. He has completed his M.S. in Manufacturing and Mechanical Systems Integration from the Rochester Institute of Technology, New York, USA and Undergraduate in Production Engineering from the College of Engineering, Pune, India. He was awarded with RIT Merit Scholarship at Rochester Institute of Technology. He was also awarded by Rotary for "Best Student of the College" at College of Engineering Pune. He possess extra ordinary skill set for Painting, Swimming and Photography.

He talked with mechanical students How to prepare for their MS journey, which area should they adopt – job or research, Things to do in journey of engineering, Things to do after BE/ B. Tech., about time management, Things to do during MS & also shared his experience with students.

He divided things as study years of engineering and as per the division he talked about things which should be done in various years. According to him students should work on Profile Building, Exploring, Participation & Spoken-written English from the first year; in second year they should work on Technical Skills, Industry Experience, SAE events & Projects; in third year they should work on Research Opportunities, Industry Projects, Leadership Roles, Certifications & Time Management & in fourth year they should work on Compilation Data, Research Papers, Industry Based Projects, Job Preparation & Networking with people. After B. Tech. they should get some solid work experience, sharpen technical software skills, and attend sessions for GRE / Higher studies. By working on these things throughout the engineering they could master atleast one CAD software, present atleast one research paper, develop atleast one nontechnical skills.

He also talked about better time management that how should a student should manage his time for perfect study life as try to make a goal, plan your day, create a proper to-do list, prioritize things & at last review your day. At last of the session he shared his experience with students.



