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Visit of Hon'ble Dr Arvind Virmani Visits AIC – SMU TBI

On 11-11-2024, Dr. Arvind Virmani, Hon'ble Member of NITI Aayog visited AIC – SMU Technology Business Incubator to review the Mission, Vision and Strategy of the incubator, providing advise on the way forward and the inclusive growth in the North East region.

Dr. Arvind Virmani, Hon'ble Member NITI Aayog, specializes in policy and institutional reforms for sustainable, fast, and inclusive economic growth. His distinguished career includes serving as the Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and as the Chief Economic Advisor in the Indian Ministry of Finance. He played a significant role in the economic reforms of the 1990s and 2000s, particularly in areas like tax, tariff, foreign exchange, financial sector, and expenditure policy reforms.

During his insightful address at AIC – SMU Technology Business Incubator, Dr. Virmani addressed key topics such as skill development and entrepreneurship, emphasizing the necessity of equipping individuals with the right skills to meet market demands. The day was marked by meaningful exchanges and a shared vision for the future of technology and entrepreneurship in India.



Visit of Shri Krishan Kumar Singh, Joint Secretary, MeitY, Government of India, and Shri Vishwas Shrivastava, Scientist, MeitY, Government of India

16/05/2024: We had the honor to have the presence of Shri Krishan Kumar Singh, Joint Secretary, MeitY, Government of India, and Shri Vishwas Shrivastava, Scientist, MeitY, Government of India, at AIC – SMU Technology Business Incubator.

During the Founders Connect, Shri K. K. Singh informed the startup founders of the importance of Intellectual Property and the potential for North Eastern

startups working on new technologies. He also highlighted the support that the Government of India provides to entrepreneurs in the region.

Founders Connect has further provided an opportunity for startup founders to network with each other, creating a foundation for mutually beneficial market connect and shared experiences.

Various startups like O2 Himalaya, Urjjah EV, Akumen Artificial Intelligence, Nibiaa Devices, Makaiko, Prakritiko, Maity Ghar, Studio Zeyma, Crafted Fibers, Craft and Clay, Syang's (Syangbo's Living Food and beverage Pvt Ltd), Gladiolus Language Nectar LLP, Puzzle Craft, Denzong Waters, IBC also showcased their products and services.

We would like to extend our deep gratitude to Shri Krishan Kumar Singh and Shri Vishwas Shrivastava for gracing us with their presence.



SEED School: A Report

Objective of the SEED School:

The Society of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (SEED), a student organization of the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE) at Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology (SMIT), has been actively contributing to society through its initiative known as the SEED School. Since its inception on 15th August 2008, the SEED School aims to provide evening classes to students ranging from 4th to 12th grade from nearby areas, imparting knowledge in subjects such as 2nd language, English, Mathematics, Science, and Social

Sciences. The initiative also includes assistance with homework for lower-grade students, promoting holistic academic growth.

Challenges Faced:

Running the SEED School has presented its share of challenges. Gaining permissions from both schools and parents for students' participation, ensuring secure transportation within the campus premises, and maintaining a balance between the number of students entering and leaving the campus have been vital concerns. Winter months, with their shorter daylight hours, added complexity to ensuring the safety of students during their commute back home.

Impact:

The SEED School has made a significant impact since its inception. It has provided underprivileged students with the opportunity to receive valuable educational support, contributing to their academic growth and overall development. The involvement of SMIT's student volunteers has fostered a sense of community and familial bond, integrating the SEED School participants into the larger EEE family. Furthermore, the initiative's fundraising efforts have provided essential school supplies like copies, pencils, pens, and other stationary items, addressing the basic needs of the students.



Initiative Start Date: 15/08/2008

The SEED School initiative was officially launched on 15th August 2008. Since its commencement, it has remained dedicated to its objective of empowering students with knowledge and creating a nurturing environment for their academic advancement.







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Visit by School Students of Local Schools



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