ANUSMRUTI 2023

**"A transient phase of ephemeral memories and a vivid enrichment of nostalgia,
Leaves us nothing short of a sparkling smile, with a touch of reminiscence"**

Anusmruti, the Annual Alumni Meet of Symbiosis Institute of International Business (SIIB), Pune was organized by the Alumni Relations Team on January 7, 2023. This homecoming event of alumni created an atmosphere of happiness and nostalgia. The alumni were very enthusiastic to meet their batchmates, teachers, and staff members after a gap of almost 3 years. The event commenced with the session of "**Alumni Interaction**", in which three eminent alumni from the batch of 2000-2002 were invited. These alumni were introduced as **Mr. Akshay Bhardwaj**, President & Practice Leader, Credit Specialties at Marsh India, **Ms. Namita Tiwari**, Director & Head of Marketing for cloud infrastructure services at WIPRO, and **Mr. Parimal Pingle,** Managing Director & Group CEO of Avanti Exim Private Limited. All three alumni shared key anecdotes from their experiences at SIIB and spoke about their journey from campus to corporate. They also provided guidance to the current batches of students about the customs and practices of the professional world. The interaction was concluded by a Question-and-Answer session which was very well addressed by our distinguished alumni.

Post the "Alumni-interaction" session, the evening proceeded with a short video highlighting the inspiring journey of the institute right from its inception, which was immensely appreciated by the audience. Following this, the auspicious ceremony of lamp-lighting was performed by **Dr. Asmita Chitnis**, Director, SIIB, **Dr. Prakash Rao**, Deputy Director, SIIB, and one representative from each host batch of alumni. Unlike previous years, seven batches (1992-1993, 1999-2001, 2000-02, 2001-03, 2009-11, 2010-12, and 2011-13) were included this year as the host batches due to the pandemic. Other than the selected batches, all the remaining alumni were presented as guests. Dr. Asmita Chitnis, Director, SIIB, addressed the gathering and welcomed the alumni to the event wholeheartedly. She not only acknowledged the support of alumni batches to the institute but also praised their efforts in conducting multiple skill-building sessions such as "Design Thinking led Product Management" and "Python", which tend to enrich the knowledge of the students and prepare them for their placements. She also mentioned the latest initiative "**Alumni Mentorship Programme**" launched by the institute wherein various alumni consented to mentor the current batches of students and develop the relevant skills to make them industry-ready. In the course of time, the host batches and guest batches were presented with a token of gratitude by the Director and Deputy Director of SIIB.

The highlight of the event was the award ceremony for distinguished alumni. Ms. Namita Tiwari, Director & Head of Marketing cloud infrastructure services at WIPRO was conferred with the **Sarvashreshtha Award** for attaining unparalleled excellence in her field of endeavour. The entrepreneurial spirit of Mr. Parimal Pingle, Managing Director & Group CEO at Avanti Exim Private Limited was also celebrated by conferring him with the **Udyami Award**. Subsequently, the cultural extravaganza began with the energetic performances of the "Kshitij" kids and dance club of SIIB, "iBeats". The tunes of melodious music were also presented by the official band of SIIB "Richman & Co.". In the end, the memorial evening of Anusmruti'23 culminated with the cake-cutting ceremony.

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