



Origins –A recap of semester that passed too fast

It looks like only yesterday when we were fresher's in LM Thapar School of Management. We discovered new people, forged new connections. The semester finished too soon and left us with beautiful memories. From bhangra moments on the stage in various events to the slick dance moves in the basement on fresher's party night, to calling out your friends to help you earn during the marketing Mela , to dedication of beautiful roses to hot chillies, we met new people, made new connections some good some not so good.

The games were exhilarating, the exams were stressful. Let us have a recap of some of the memories of the previous semester.

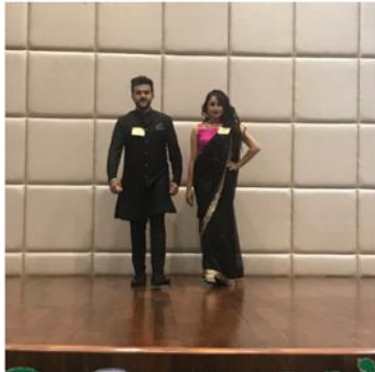




We had a chance to interact with some of our esteemed alumni of Thapar Institute of Technology. Students organised various events that invoked nostalgia among the alumni. The alumni shared their college memories as well as professional experience with the students. Alumni connect is vital for students as it provides them valuable guidance to the students and also helps them relive their college memories.



The fresher's party was a success, we will always be grateful to our seniors who organised this event for us. Various inter house events had everyone cheering for their participating house teams to bring in the grand frosh trophy. House Global emerged as the winners of this event winning the prestigious "House of the Lords" as well as the "sports" category. The Talent show brought forth the hidden talents of various events and was filled with fun and glamour as Miss. Bhavisha Duggal and Mr. Vipul Dass won the title of Miss and Mr Fresher whereas Dolly Nigam and Mr Vikram Singh got the title of Mr and Mrs. Personality.



The Interhouse sports competition was organised in multiple events like football, Basketball, Badminton, Table Tennis and Volleyball. The event was organised in a period of three days. The competition was stiff and House Entrepreneur emerged as the overall winner followed by house Sustainable. They were awarded the running sports trophy for the year during Diwali celebrations.



GUEST LECTURES

Mr Manek Gupta

Students of LM Thapar School of Management had a chance to interact with, Mr Manek Gupta who is the chief executive officer and managing director of Glencore Agriculture India Private Limited, The Indian subsidiary for leading Netherlands based multinational agri-commodity trading organization glencore agriculture ltd. Glencore Agriculture is global leader in the sourcing, handling, processing and marketing of agricultural commodities and products.

An alumni of International Institute of Foreign Trade Mr. Manek was promoted to the role of the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of the organization in December 2017 after having successfully worked as a Cotton Trader with them for over 7 years.

He has been recently awarded the “Young Achievers Award 2019” by Lucknow Management Association. Mr. Manek has held several executive positions internationally, having worked in geographies like Singapore, Dubai, Vietnam, Indonesia and Netherlands.



VIKRAM GUPTA

In the turbulent world of stock market trading, Mr. Vikram Gupta is a force to be reckoned with. As the Head of Derivatives at Nomura Financial Services India Pvt Ltd., Mr. Vikram deals in transactions that easily number in crores. Therefore, the students of LMTSM were fortunate indeed to be addressed by someone so magnanimous. However, Mr. Vikram went a step further: not only did he introduce the students to the world of derivative trading, he also provided the students with an opportunity to put Mr. Vikram's predicts to the test by investing money on derivatives the following week. Truly, the value of experienced teaches can never be understated. LMTSM is proud to host individuals of such calibre.



DR ANITA SHARMA

In this era of Competition, while most people are busy trying to earn more and more profits, there are people who think about and work on social, cultural, or environmental issues. They are called

Social Entrepreneurs are people who establish an enterprise with an aim of solving social problems and initiating societal change. LM Thapar School of Management invited, Dr. Anita Sharma, graced us with her presence here and spoke to the students about Social Entrepreneurship.

Dr. Anita is the founder of 'On My Own- a mobility solutions provider platform for people with reduced mobility' and also co-founded "INKPOTHUB". Being differently abled herself, she was able to understand the difficulties faced by those who have been in the same challenges in their life.

She took her misfortunes as a challenge and made something out of it which helped not only herself but others as well. She provided them a means to be independent through her efforts as "On My Own" enabling differently abled to drive and be independent on their own in most effective and cost efficient way.

Her vision: "Social entrepreneurship is not an alternate career path". It is a 'decision'. A decision to live for your passion. A decision to live for the hope of other. When you are into social entrepreneurship then you become the 'hope', you are a 'miracle' for someone's life. It is a challenge worth accepting. Her life experiences and incidences left a mark in every student's heart and mind motivating them to work on the passion while keeping in mind sustainable values and wellbeing of the society.



SUSTAINABILITY IN PRACTICE

This sustainability in group comprises of 5 members Nihal joshi, Tanya Puri, Gaurav Punyani, Chitra Kundu and Bhavya Saluja. The group has taken the initiative to work towards sensitization of underprivileged children about hygiene and environment sensitivity as well as identifying special classroom teaching needs to prepare the children for a better future.

After several field visits and meeting with various teachers employed in govt. schools they identified the aforementioned factors were the most common under the umbrella of sustainability and need to be taught with utmost care and passion.

Through this project our group aims to leave behind a league of educated young minds who can take the mantle of sustainability and carry it forward. The Sustainable development goals fulfilled by the team include Quality education, Good health and wellbeing



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Seeds of life is an entrepreneurial venture by **Shubhra Bhargava, Dhananjay Modi and Vaishali Rawat**. It is an initiative under the course curriculum of Social commercial entrepreneurship. The **mission** of the venture is to spread awareness regarding health and fitness. The vision is to inculcate the habit of consuming fruits within the students of the campus. They aim to serve fresh sliced fruits at the door step of the students, Seeds of Life introduces every day a special fruit in the menu. Their menu has various combos, fruit chat of different sizes and highly customized plate of fruits as per the taste of the customer.

This venture has increased the consumption of fruits across students and given way to a healthier lifestyle amongst them. It gives us a wonderful experience and a chance to contribute to others lives in a healthy way. **Stay Happy and Stay Fit.**

SEEDS OF LIFE

NOW OPEN!!

*FRESH PICKS, CRAZE OF CITRUS
AND SWEET AS PIE.*

*Now Fruits at your doorstep.
Enjoy the sweetness and
freshness of fruits in your
campus.*

*Hassle free eating.
Eat to Glow
Seedless Sweetness.*

*Presenting to you refreshing
sliced fruits.*

Just order and munch.

Time: 6:00 P.M.-10: 00 P.M. (Mon-Fri)
10:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M.
(Sat - Sun)

Venue: Girls Hostel Gate

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INSIGHT OF THE DAY

World wildlife day is celebrated around the world on **3rd March** every year. United Nation general assembly proclaimed March 3 as the UN World wildlife day in 2013.

Wildlife is as essential as we humans are, they have as much rights to resources as we do and have as much right to exist peacefully as we do. This World Wildlife day, let's pledge to do our fair share to help in conservation of wildlife and do no harm to any animal ever.

World Wildlife Day | 3rd March
Celebrate the **Super Year of Biodiversity 2020**

HOW DID IT START?

- The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) was signed on March 3, 1973
- At its 68th session in 2013, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed March 3 as the UN World Wildlife Day

WHY IS IT CELEBRATED?

- World Wildlife Day is observed to celebrate and raise awareness of the world's wild animals and plants
- For 2020, the theme is "Sustaining all Life on Earth", encompassing all wild animal and plant species as key components of the world's biodiversity

SEVERAL SPECIES FACE EXTINCTION

More than 30,000 species are threatened with extinction, making up 27% of the nearly 112,400 species assessed so far, as per the IUCN Red List

41% Amphibians	25% Mammals
34% Conifers	14% Birds
30% Sharks & rays	33% Reef corals
27% Selected crustaceans	

ROLE OF PROTECTED AREAS

- Protected areas like national parks, reserves, etc. are a mainstay of biodiversity conservation, while also contributing to people's livelihoods
- The global mean percentage of key biodiversity areas covered by protected areas has increased from 2000 to 2018 for terrestrial, freshwater and mountain areas

RED LIST INDEX FALLS

- The Red List Index measures the risk of extinction, in which a value of 1 indicates no threat to any species, and a value of 0 indicates that all species are extinct
- It has deteriorated from 0.82 in 1993 to 0.73 in 2019 globally

CURRENT THREATS TO BIODIVERSITY

As per a statement from UNEP, the biodiversity is presently under threat due to a number of factors such as -

- Habitat stress
- Overexploitation and unsustainable use of natural resources
- Air, land and water pollution
- Increasing numbers and impact of invasive alien species
- Climate change

OTHER RISKS

- Billions of families and communities who depend on nature for food, water, and livelihoods are at risk
- The economy also depends on nature and stands threatened as ecosystem services provide over \$100 trillion per year to the global economy