DROID 6.0

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CSI Student Branch, MUST, Lakshmangarh organized an annual tech-cult fest DROID 6.0 from 5th April 2024 to 6th April 2024 at School of Engineering and Technology, Mody University of Science and Technology, Lakshmangarh. The annual annual tech-cult fest was the 6th version of the DROID series. On 5th and 6th of April, it was held on campus for offline participants as well as for remote participants. The theme of the Droid 6.0 was "TECH ODYSSEY-Encoding the Tapestry of Tomorrow", which consisted of 12+ events such as Cloud-Computing workshop, Paper Presentation, Web-Dev Derby, Innovation Sprint, Group Discussion, Wordsworth, Mock Recruitment, Code Clash, Pinnacle Plays, Spree Corner, 60 seconds of fame and Fiesta. The event was a major success, with 300+ participants from inside and outside Mody University.

The 2-day event was commenced with an inaugural ceremony. The dignitaries present were, The Chief Guest: Dr. Govind Sharma, Registered Patent Agent, Alumni of Delhi University, Prof. (Dr.) Anil Saroliya, Dean Academics, Mody University of Science and Technology, Prof. (Dr.) Prateek Bhanti, Dean, School of Engineering and Technology and Dr. Anand Sharma, SBC - CSI Student Branch, MUST.

Dr. Govind Sharma has been an integral part of the National Research Development Corporation (NRDC), a cornerstone organization operating under the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India. His contributions have been instrumental in implementing impactful projects in collaboration with renowned organizations such as UNESCO and UNICEF. He inspired the students with his influential presence and advised them for achieving their aim without losing moral values.
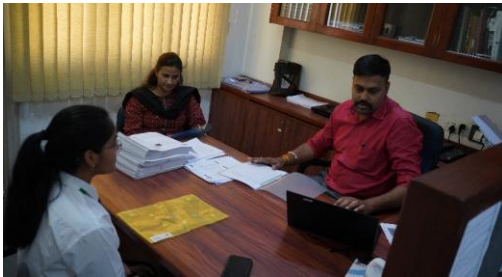
The first day's events began with a keynote lecture hosted by Dr Sameer and Dr Sandeep Jaiswal and it was followed up by a workshop on "Cloud-Computing" where Mr. Ayushman Jha and Mr. Ashutosh Singhal introduced the participants to the very basics of cloud computing and then delved deeper into its uses, importance and more. The students found the keynote lecture and the workshop to be very beneficial, and each one received a certification.

This event proceeded with the next event of the day which was a group discussion where participants showcased their skills. The event was led beautifully by Initiator Ms. Purvanshi Bhatnagar, Moderator Ms. Daisy Vyas and Concluder Ms. Siddhi Sankhala. Concurrent to this event, another workshop was being held.

Parallel to this event, first round of Mock Recruitment was started. It was a placement drive for students to practice and develop themselves into the environment of different company interviews. Another fun event which was Spree Corner was held throughout the 2-day fest. It was for the participants to showcase their skills and talents in a variety of artistic medium and can earn from the same. This event became the major success of the 2-day tech fest.

Fun event – Treasure Hunt that ran concurrently with Mock Recruitment, in which a clue was given to each team and the team which solved all the clues was declared as the winner. Day 1 ended on a high note with the entertaining event which was Foray – A Fashion Show, which was conducted by SOD, MUST, Lakshmangarh.

The day-2 started with the event, a dynamic coding competition where the participants had to takle challenges within set time limits. The winner of the event was Ms. Akansha Sharma, 1st Runner Up was Ms. Kratika Goel and the 2nd Runner Up was Ms. Priyal Jain, who won cash prizes and certificates.

This was preceded by Paper Presentations in which students presented their research papers based on their technical skills, purpose, and creativity. The winner of the event was Brainiacs, they won a cash prize and a certificate.

After this, a brain teasing event Pinnacle Plays and Wordsworth commenced consecutively, where former offered a diverse range of games, and latte offered competition on who is the fastest to guess the words. These were interesting and fun events.

After this, another event Web Dev Derby started, which was a website designing competition for students to showcase their creativity skills by highlighting their expertise on certain topics. The winner for this event was team Webezz, 1st Runner Up was team TychoBrahe, and 2nd Runner Up was team Latika. Each of the winners won cash prizes and a certification of achievement.

Similarly, the Innovation Sprint was another event which was being held concurrently where participants demonstrated their ability to efficiently solve problems presented to them on the spot.

The winners of this event were team Sigma, and the 1st runner-up was team Ascend, both teams won cash prizes and more accordingly.

Correspondingly, the final round of Mock Recruitment was also being held, the participants were notified the day before and they came fully prepared for their interviews, the participants that performed brilliantly were Ms. Suruchi Suman who was the winner and Ms. Vania Singh who was the 1sr runner-up, both these winners received guidance, cash prices and more.

On Day 2, the Valedictory session was held, during which the core concepts and ethos of DROID 6.0 were presented and briefly discussed for potential future applications. Following this, all competitors were awarded participation certificates, while the winners received certificates along with monetary prizes. Overall, DROID 6.0 stood as a remarkable achievement, offering a valuable opportunity for learning and growth through both knowledge and competition.

Immediately after the Valedictory, the last event of Day 2 commenced: the "60 Seconds of Fame." Here, participants had the chance to showcase their talents, whether it be in dancing, singing, acting, or any other skill, all within the span of one minute.

The fest concluded with a memorable evening on April 7th at the Anand Bagh Resort and Spa. The highlight was a grand gala dinner accompanied by a delightful cultural extravaganza, showcasing traditional folk dances and an enchanting puppet performance.

This yearly event was a huge success for the university and serves as a template for future DROID versions. It was acknowledged that the team put forth a lot of effort to make this event a success.

DROID 6.0 was an enormous success all around and a great chance to learn and grow via competition and education.

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