

## MUFFAKHAM JAH COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

26<sup>th</sup> October 2024

The IT Department organized a seminar on "Skill Development," on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 for students of BE(IT) 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Year with the aim of equipping students with the essential skills needed to excel in the rapidly evolving tech landscape. The Seminar commenced with the address by Dr.Gouri R. Patil, HOD-ITD followed by Mr. Srikant Mupalla, an experienced industry professional, and Co-founder of SkillDzire. Around 170 students and 15 faculty members attended the session that gave insights about the current demands and expectations of the IT sector.

The key highlights of seminar:

1. **Introduction to Skill Development:** Mr. Mupalla began the session with an overview of the significance of skill development in the IT industry. He emphasized how continuous learning and upgrading of skills are essential for staying competitive, given the fast-paced advancements in technology.
2. **Key Technical Skills for IT Professionals:** The seminar focused on a range of technical skills that are in high demand. Mr. Mupalla discussed areas like data science, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, cloud computing, and software development. He highlighted specific tools and technologies within each area, such as Python for data science, AWS for cloud computing, and ethical hacking basics for cybersecurity.
3. **Soft Skills and Their Role in Career Success:** In addition to technical knowledge, Mr. Mupalla discussed the importance of soft skills such as communication, teamwork, and critical thinking. He explained that these skills are crucial for effective collaboration and problem-solving in professional settings, making them just as important as technical abilities.
4. **Practical Tips for Skill Development:** Mr. Mupalla provided students with actionable steps to improve their skills. He recommended engaging in project-based learning, online certifications, internships, and joining tech communities. He also stressed the importance of creating a portfolio to showcase skills and projects to future employers.
5. **Industry Expectations and Career Guidance:** Mr. Mupalla shared insights into what IT companies look for when hiring new graduates. He discussed how companies value adaptability,

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hands-on experience, and a proactive attitude toward learning. He also provided guidance on various career paths in IT, helping students understand the qualifications, skills, and certifications needed for roles such as software engineer, data analyst, and IT consultant.

6. **Interactive Q&A Session:** The seminar concluded with an engaging Q&A session where students had the opportunity to ask Mr. Mupalla questions about specific skills, career advice, and internship opportunities. His responses were insightful, providing students with personalized advice on skill enhancement and career planning.



The seminar received positive feedback from attendees, with students expressing appreciation for the practical advice and insights shared by Mr. Mupalla. The event concluded by votes of thanks by Dr. S. Fouzia Sayeedunnisa, Assoc. Prof & Assoc. Head ITD. The event was highly informative and motivated students to pursue skill development actively, preparing them for a successful transition from academics to the professional world.

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