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PMI PUNE-DECCAN INDIA CHAPTER ORGANIZES UDAAN FOR MBA STUDENTS

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"UDAAN 2012" an inter institute project competition, sponsored by **PMI Pune Deccan India Chapter** and was hosted by **Institute of Industrial & Computer Management & Research(IICMR), Nigdi, Pune** (India). The event provided an opportunity to MBA students to creatively contribute to business and social emphatics. UDAAN 2012 is an Integral part of the Mega event – On Campus 2012 - An Annual PMI Event for Students, Academia and Professionals.

This exciting competition challenges students to apply their critical thinking, ideations, analytical perspectives in identifying a real-world problem and proposing unique solutions. This will become a forum to interact, share and express their views in the field of business and help to uncover the hidden forte within them in front of corporate professionals. The challenge was to take an entrepreneurial approach, think out of the box and at the same time ensure that the idea is environmentally viable and economically feasible. This proved to be real test of the power of student's logical thinking, their approach towards business and innovative ideas. It was a tremendous learning experience where in the ideas of all the students are to be developed and nurtured. It was a mesmerizing event wherein every candidate was be tested for their capability to meet day to day challenges when they foray into corporate world. The chapter hopes to be able to build a quality network among the students for sharing their ideas in an open platform and create competitive spirit of project execution. The event was focused at 1st and 2nd Year MBA students and focussed on the following themes:

- Project Ideation Competition : 1st year MBA
- Project Execution Competition : 2nd year MBA

For Project Ideation following topics ranged from Medical Tourism, FDI in Retail, Water, Energy Conservation and Power Management to Rise of China-India Inc.'s Challenges; Social software and Collaboration; NGOs – Role in Development of India Inc. For Project Execution, the criteria was completed Summer Projects contributing to validated inferences and analytical study were the basis of evaluation. Awards were given for best Projects: (Project Ideation and Project Execution Competition); Best two projects were be selected for rewards for each competition with a First Prize worth Rs.5000/- Trophy and a certificate and the Second Prize worth Rs.3000/-, Trophy and a certificate; the awardees will be invited in OnCampus 2012 – an annual event for Academia and Professionals planned on 19th Feb 2012.

Event had 180 nomination from which the 50 semi-finalist were shortlisted. The semi-finalists were then invited to IICMR College to present their idea / summer project. It was a day-long event, where panel of 8 judges – four from Academia and four from Industry helped the evaluation. The final round was again evaluated by another panel comprising of Chapter president Girish Kelkar, Dr. Neha Sharma and IICMR Director Dr. Abhay Kulkarni. The team of eight judges comprised of members including Mr. Pradeep Rathi: Principal Consultant, QCT Consultants (Project Management & Engg. Design Consultancy), Mr. Rinoo Rajesh : Associate Vice President at Aegis Tech, an Essar Group Enterprise, Rahul Mohnot : SAP APO-Project Lead - SHADOW BOARD MEMBER at Mahindra Satyam and Jeetendra Sharma : Category Manager Asia Pacific at Kimberly Clark, while the academia was represented by Dr. Shailesh Kasande : Director VIM, Dr. Bharat Sankaye : Dean SIMCA, Dr. Suhas Sahasrabudhe : Principal ATSS and Dr. Sajid Alvi : Director DIMR. Udaan 2012 , initiative was launched for the first time by PMI Pune Deccan India Chapter. The initiative is part of Academia portfolio managed by Jay Dholakia (academic@pmipunechapter.org). The ideation project (MBA-I) – prize was sponsored by Mr. Girish Kelkar, the chapter president. Additional information & material can be obtained from event website – <http://2012.PmiOnTarget.org> or reach out to Rinoo Rajesh (Marketing@pmipunechapter.org)

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