

Report of Life Below Water







Skill development training program for Fish/Shrimp farmers - 24 February 2021

Manipal, 24th February 21: Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) and Everest Blowers Pvt. Ltd.jointlyorganized a skill development training program for the local fishermen community engaged Fish/Shrimp farmingin Udupi district. This was a CSR initiative of Everest Blowers Pvt. ltd. Inaugurating the training program, Dr. Srikanth Rao, Director of MIT, said that he is happy to note that this training program would benefit the local fishermen community to enhance their skills and scientific knowledge required to enhance the productivity.



There were about twenty participants from the local fishermen community. Mr Amit Kapur, Director, Everest Blowers Pvt. Ltd, imparted the training program covering the aspects of importance of dissolved oxygen in fish farming, fundamentals of aeration, energy efficient aeration technique, how to enhance profits through minimal energy spent etc. Prof. Radhika M Pai of MIT also shared her experience as a resource person. Prof Manohar M Pai and Prof. Raviraja N S and MrShekar Reddy translated the training contents to the local language of fishermen.

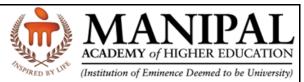
MsAmeeta Nehra and MrShekar Reddy of Everest Blowers, Prof. Shrihari Upadhyaya, Prof. Balachandra and others were present during the program. Ms. Chaitra of MIT rendered invocation, Prof. Manohar M Pai, one of the organizers of the program gave a preamble to the program and welcomed the gathering. Prof. Raviraja N. S, Director, Corporate Relations,



MAHE who was instrumental in arranging this CSR program, proposed the vote of thanks. Ms. Tejaswini Bhat, research Scholar at MIT anchored the program.









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Mr Yashas M, Ms Shreya G, Ms Arjita N and Ms Anushka B of second-year BPharm students secured third place the Grand Challenge Competition 2021. Under the mentorship of Dr Alex Joseph, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, the team explored innovative solutions for dealing with the waste generated from fish processing. This competition was conducted by the Manipal-Government of Karnataka Bio incubator to address the various issues as outlined by the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The competition was held on 1 December 2021 and is comprised of two rounds-the ideathon and the hackathon.