

## **Report on leadership talk with Mr. Ronnie Screwvala, Chairman UpGrad on 17th April 2020**

The Maharaja Agrasen Institute of technology, Rohini Faculty Members and many Students attended the leadership talk with Mr. Ronnie Screwvala, Chairman UpGrad on 17th April 2020 at 11.00 AM.

A leadership talk was organised by MHRD, AICTE and IIC at Twitter live platform. Dr. Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, MHRD Innovation Cell, talked with Shri. Ronnie Screwvala, Chairman Upgrad. He's an entrepreneur and a philanthropist, who made stints in several great business ventures. The discussion was on the topic of opportunities youngsters / start-ups will have in post COVID-19 world.

The discussion began with the discussion of Mr. Screwvala's journey, how he started with nothing more than B.com degree and went on to build several successful businesses. Most importantly they discussed about the failures he had to face in his path, to motivate youngsters to learn the value of perseverance, to keep on trying. They highlighted how today's young generation is too worrisome and easily demotivated. They lack the mechanisms to handle failures. Mr. Screwvala provided motivational insights for the young viewership.

On Dr. Jere's question on how to find the right entrepreneurship path for successful start-ups, Mr. Screwvala explained the importance of in-depth research to set the foundation of any successful venture. In any field of the Indian industry, there are ample opportunities ripe for the taking, you just need to look closely. Few of the industries that could be the source of booming businesses is agriculture technology, ed-tech and healthcare.

For start-ups, they have high opportunity to solve problems by unique solutions. Lots of area are open in post COVID-19 world for start-up i.e. technology, healthcare, supply chain management, biotechnology, and manufacturing, etc.

Finally, he talked about the role of technology in all the fields that aren't using it to the extent they could, especially in education industry. It's necessary to keep up with the changes to survive in times like these. Where not a lot can be done outside of home.

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