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Date: - 30th November 2023

Report on Alumni talk/Connect Back to Campus Program – 30th November 2023

Name of the Event: Connect Back to Campus

Date of the Event: 30th November, 2023

Time: 11.00 am - 12.00 noon

Venue/Location: Library Hall, DYPBBI

Total number of student attendees: 45

Total number of Faculty attendees: 05

Total number of Attendees: 50

### **Objectives:**

- 1. To build long term relation with all the ex-students and the present students of Institute
- 2. To cater the professional needs of students by sharing their knowledge and expertise.

Dr. D. Y. Patil Biotechnology and Bioinformatics Institute, Pune, hosted an in-campus Alumni talk through the platform of "Connect Back to Campus" activity on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 between 11.00 am – 12.00 noon. The main focus of the program was to expose the current students of the Institute towards getting practical knowledge and guidance in their professional journey. Dr. Priyadarshini Tilak, who is one of the distinguished Alumna of M. Tech. (Int.) Biotechnology (2009-2014) and currently a protein purification specialist and Plant Biochemistry Scientist at University of Münster, Germany, was invited as the guest speaker to speak on the topic "Higher studies and placement opportunities in Germany".

The session began with the introduction of the guest speaker by Dr. Ashwini Puntambekar, Co-ordinator, Alumni and Placement Committee, DYPBBI. Dr. J.K. Pal, Research Director, DYPBBI, encouraged the students to participate in the Aptitude building Program activities.

Dr. Priyadarshini began the talk by sharing some of her student life experiences with the present students.

She gave information to the students about the different exams like IELTS, GRE and German-language which they need to learn and also clear before going to Germany. She informed the students about the educational system in Germany stating that there are no tution fees or application form fees in Germany. She also told the

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importance of understanding the process of writing Ph.D. proposals and emphasized that one needs to be really focused while doing Ph.D. because everything in Germany is contract based and the tenure for Ph.D. ends after 5 years. Incase if anyone wishes to apply for research jobs in Germany, one needs to see the University websites. Non-taxable mini jobs are offered to the students while studying. She also explained the students about how to manage the expenses in Germany.

Dr. Tilak ended the talk by thanking the Institute for giving her this opportunity. Around 50 attendees including the staff and students of DYPBBI participated in the event. The program was coordinated by Dr. Ashwini Puntambekar.



Dr. Priyadarshini addressing the audience



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Dr. Pal felicitating Dr. Priyadarshini



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### Outcome:

The session created a valuable platform for the students to connecting with the Alumna and also exploring the various opportunities.

Dr. Ashwini N. Puntambekar Alumni Co-ordinator Dr. Soumya Basu Secretary

Alumni and Placement Committee

Prof. Neelu Nawani Director