

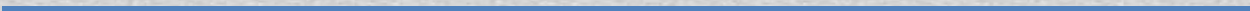


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XLRI Holds 14th Graduation Ceremony of Executive Diploma Courses

612 students of XLRI's Virtual Interactive Learning (VIL), Executive Diploma in Human Resource Management, PGC in Entrepreneurship Management and Agri-Business Management Programmes received their graduating certificates and medals

9th April, 2016: **XLRI- Xavier School of Management**, one of India's premier B-School, organized the **14th Graduation Ceremony** for students of **Executive Diploma Programmes**. The event was held today at the *Tata Auditorium, XLRI campus, Jamshedpur*.

The event was graced by **Dr. N S Rajan**, (*Group Chief Human Resources Officer & Member of the Group Executive Council, Tata Sons*), **Fr. E Abraham S.J.** (*Director, XLRI*), **Dr. Pranabesh Ray** (*Dean – Academics, XLRI*), **Dr. Ashis K. Pani** (*Associate Dean, VIL Programmes, XLRI*), **Prof. Prabal K. Sen** (*Chairperson, Entrepreneurship Development Centre (EDC) – XLRI*) and other dignitaries.

Dr. N S Rajan delivered the **Graduation Address** at the event.

On this significant day, 612 students of XLRI's various Executive Diploma Programmes including **523** students graduated of XLRI's **Virtual Interactive Learning Programmes** (**72 students of Postgraduate Certificate in Business Management - Batch 25; 158 students of Postgraduate Certificate in Business Management - Batch 26; 115 students of Postgraduate Certificate in Human Resource Management - Batch 17 and 178 students of Postgraduate Certificate in Human Resource Management - Batch 18**), **10 students of Agribusiness Management Programme**, **24 students of Executive Diploma in Human Resource Management** and **55 students of Post Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship Management Programme** received their graduating certificates and medals.

At the event, Gold Medals sponsored by **Unified Collaboration Services (UCS)**, XLRI's VIL Programme technical partner were presented to 1st rank holders of the VIL Programme. **Prashant Goel** (*1st rank - PGCBM – 25*), **Sukalpa Ghosh** (*1st rank - PGCBM – 26*), **Yogesh Kalra** (*1st rank - PGCHRM – 17*) and **Arup Kumar Dutta** (*PGCHRM – 18*) were awarded the medals.

Congratulating the outgoing students, **Dr. Ashis K. Pani, XLRI VIL Programmes** said, "*Graduation is not the end it's the beginning to face the bigger challenges in life. Go confidently in the direction of your dreams and live the life you have imagined.*"

"The primary objective of these programs is to transform participants into exceptional cross-functional leaders who can integrate all disciplines and align all activities to achieve the organization's long-range strategic goals. VIL offers possibilities for the working executives to avail formal management education from XLRI without disrupting their job schedule. Since the

inception of such Programmes, we have seen more than 5,550 students graduating from the various VIL Programmes. Presently there are 128 (Hughes- 88 and UCS-40) study centers across the country,” Dr. Pani further added.

XLRI VIL has recently introduced various online Management Development Programs (e MDPs) through our technical partners Education Lanes (of Tech Mahindra) and Talent edge. It offers various sector specific and contemporary courses in management disciplines delivered via Direct to Desktop (D2D) mode. These courses are designed and delivered by XLRI faculty and this D2D technology simulates a real-time and interactive virtual learning environment, which is acting as a boon to this corporate world. More than, nine e MDPs are launched in this year covering approx. 500 students till date.

Fr. E Abraham S.J., Director of XLRI commented, *“XLRI with its singular vision of Magis, i.e., pursuit of excellence, focuses on three areas- academic excellence, personal values and social concern. In the era, where time is a major constraint and up gradation being the need for working professionals, XLRI has been providing various programmes for the working executives. With these multiple programmes we aim to serve diverse sections of professionals across many industry sectors.”*

About XLRI:

XLRI-Xavier School of Management, Jamshedpur is a premier, private management institute in India founded in 1949 by Fr Quinn Enright, S.J. in the ‘steel city’ of Jamshedpur (www.xlri.ac.in). Over the last six decades, the institute has grown into a top-ranking business management school of international repute with a wide portfolio of management programs and research publications. Its alumni are spread around the globe and have demonstrated responsible business leadership in their organizations. XLRI continually strives to contribute its mite to the professional growth and management of numerous organisations and institutions across industry sectors.

XLRI Holds 60th Annual Convocation on 2nd April, 2016

Conferred “Sir Jehangir Ghandy Medal for Industrial and Social Peace” to Dr. Sunil Kant Munjal, Jt. Managing Director of Hero MotoCorp & Chairman, Hero Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd.

4th April, 2016 – The momentous occasion of **60th Annual Convocation** of **XLRI- Xavier School of Management** was celebrated on 2nd April, 2016 with great zeal. Students donned their graduation hats and gowns and received their medals and certificates in the presence of **Mr. T. V. Narendran, Chairman, Board of Governors at XLRI & MD - Tata Steel India and South East Asia, Fr. E Abraham S.J., Director of XLRI, Dr. Pranabesh Ray, Dean, Academics at XLRI** and other dignitaries.

On this significant day, **587** XLRI students received their graduating certificates and medals including – **361** students of Postgraduate Programmes in Management - BM and HRM of batch 2014-16; **119** students of 2015 batch of 15-months PGDM (General Management) Programme; **20** students of Fellow Program in Management (FPM) from Jamshedpur Campus and **70** students of 2013–16 batch of PGDM-BM Programme (Part Time). This year, the second batch of the 2014-16 batch of the Global MBA Programme launched by XLRI in partnership with Weatherhead School of Management, USA and School of Economics & Management of Tongji University Shanghai, China also received their graduating certificates. **17** Indian students will be awarded the certificates and medals from their home school - XLRI and a joint certification from the 3-schools’ consortium at the Convocation.

Congratulating the students on their graduation day, **Mr. T. V. Narendran, Chairman, Board of Governors at XLRI** said, *“I encourage you to develop a habit of lifelong learning so that you continue to be an asset to your organisation and the society at large. Always remember to serve the society around you with compassion, honesty and integrity.”*

Inspiring the students to be good leaders, Mr. Narendran said in his Presidential address, “The spirit of XLRI lies in the line – ‘For The Greater Good’. So as you go forth using your capability, hard work you do and the opportunities you have, do not forget there is a greater good out there to which you can contribute in a big way.”

He further added, *“I am delighted to be part of the 60th Annual Convocation of XLRI. XLRI not only lays emphasis on high-quality, management-centric education but also focuses on inculcating values and skill-sets required to become responsible corporate citizens. It is this emphasis on becoming a well-rounded individual that sets XLRI apart from other business schools in the country. The institution has always helped mould and assist students to become thoughtful and fine human beings.”*

In continuation of forty-seven years tradition, XLRI conferred the prestigious ‘**Sir Jehangir Ghandy Medal for Social and Industrial Peace**’ on **Dr. Sunil Kant Munjal, Jt. Managing Director of Hero MotoCorp & Chairman, Hero Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd.**

Accepting the medal Dr. Munjal said, *“I humbly accept this great honour. This recognition is not mine alone; this is due to thousands of people within our organisations and those working with the organization.”* He dedicated the medal to his father late B M Munjal, who incidentally was the recipient of the same award about sixteen years ago.

He congratulated the students and inspired them to be good leaders, *“Leadership will make all the differences,”* he commented.

Delivering the Convocation Speech to the graduating students, he said, *“We are a nation on the move. We are building new infrastructures and projects in India. We know that what was seen for a long time as India’s liability, which is the large number of people; is now being called our demographic dividend. It is also true that we can only bring alive this dividend if we train, skill and educate all the people; and that would be a powerful nation.”*

Emphasizing on the need of entrepreneurship in his address, he said, *“In India, we keep talking about jobs. But the jobs would not come from the existing enterprises. Large enterprises worldwide do not create new jobs after the first four –five or ten years; it is the small, mid-size enterprises which creates jobs. It is highly needed to actively encourage more entrepreneurship and leadership which is actively willing to take a risk and grow. For us it is absolutely important that our economy grows.”*

Addressing the students Fr. E Abraham S.J., Director of XLRI said, *“I would like to take this opportunity to express my most sincere congratulations to our 587 students who are graduating today. This is the largest batch that XLRI has ever had. “As you move on to the next phase of your work-life journey, strive to live the kind of life that XLRI envisions us to live – to be leaders who contribute their mite to their respective organisations and also have a sensitive social conscience.”*

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