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## E- Inauguration of Post Graduate Programme

IIM Lucknow e-inaugurated its four post graduate programmes (the batch of 2020-2022) - the Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP-36<sup>th</sup> Batch), the Post Graduate Programme in Agri Business Management (PGP ABM-17<sup>th</sup> Batch), Doctoral Programme in Management (FPM) and Post Graduate Programme in Sustainable Management (PGPSM – 6<sup>th</sup> Batch) in this week (5<sup>th</sup> August – 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020).

The ceremony began with lamp lighting by Director, IIM Lucknow, Prof. Archana Shukla, Dean (Faculty) Prof. Neeraj Dwivedi, Dean (Programs), Prof.Arunabha Mukhopadhyay, Dean (Noida Campus), Prof. Kaushik Bhattacharyaand respective chair persons, Prof. Ajay Garg, Prof.Praksh Singh and Prof. Kaushik RanjanBandopadhyay.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Archana Shukla said, "These are difficult times and everyone is looking at us more to find solutions for this disruption. The pressure is on us now to show that these programmes are just not theory but they are there to bring out the leaders in every one of the students who has enrolled in this programme. Through their hard work and perseverance the students have earned their place in the programme and now the onus lies on them to complete the programme with same zeal and energy. And while everything is going on, we should not forget the big picture – the dream of our honourable Prime Minister, that of AatamNirbhar Bharat; we should work collectively towards that".

Senior alumni and industry stalwarts were part of the programme. Mr. TarunChugh,MD & CEO at Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Co. Ltd (IIML 1994) kick started the induction programme for PGP on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020. He advised the students to always remain student – i.e. always be open to learning, always remain a keen learner.

This was followed by session titled 'Making the best of your time at IIML – an Alumni Perspective'with Mr. Vinit S. Chauhan, Head of Technology Business Management and Strategic Projects, Standard Chartered Bank (IIML 1993).

As part of the induction programme an interactive session was conducted with Mr. Abhishek Ganguly, Managing Director, PUMA India and South East Asia, (IIML 2002) on Sunday. He advised the students to not to live a life set up by others, not to let the rules of success for you defined by others. He also highlighted the importance of sports in one's life. Sports help you understand the importance of team and helps you never to give up. Concluding his session he said, "Chase your dream but figure out how to stay afloat".

The celebrations concluded with the inauguration ceremony of and Post Graduate Programme in Sustainable Management (PGPSM) on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020. The chief guest for the programme was Dr.Arindam Bhattacharya, MD and Senior Partner, BCG India and the Guest of Honour was Mr. Arvind Bodanker, Joint Presidentand Chief Sustainability Officer, Ultratech Cement, Aditya Birla Group.

IIM Lucknow welcomed its new batch of students.

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