MLSA INAUGURATION CEREMONY

The Microsoft Learn Student Ambassadors Club, better known as the MLSA CLub, had their first ever event- the inauguration ceremony, on 18th September 2023. It was established to create a technologically fluent and skill-oriented community inside the college, with a focus on Microsoft applications and softwares. This club came into being, when Atharva Patil and Bhavya Chopra got accepted into the Microsoft Learn Student Ambassadors, which empowers them to lead a local chapter as a club at the students' respective colleges.

The event commenced with the felicitation of the dignitaries present with a Saraswati Vandana performed by the Music Committee. It was then followed by a keynote address by the honourable director of NMIMS Navi Mumbai, Dr Shubhasheesh Bhattacharya. He talked about the importance of clubs and committees inside the college and wished the MLSA club well. His speech was followed by an address by Prof. Sakshi Indolia, the faculty advisor of the club; and she talked about the importance of the club and how modern technology can be used for different purposes and how it can change the future. Ma'am also touched upon the different technical movements of our times like artificial intelligence, cloud computing, machine learning, et cetera, and how they map to the club. The event was hosted by Vikrant Arora and Zainab Motiwala.

The leads of the club, Atharva and Bhavya, took the stage for the banner drop. This was followed by an introduction of the core members of the different verticals. Vikrant Arora and Ayush Thakur, technical department, Ebhanan Sunil and Zainab Motiwala, creatives department, and Sumukh Gour and Tanvee Shitole, the marketing cores. All of them briefly introduced themselves and their roles and contributions to the club. The hosts then proceeded to introduce the executive members of the club, Dhruv Kandpal, Smriti Panda, Rhea Patel, Suryansh Saraf, and Shubhan Singh.

Atharva and Bhavya then took over the proceedings to demonstrate Microsoft Learn, the website, and the different ways it can be beneficial to everyone, from students to working professionals.

Some interesting hackathons, events, and competitions like Imagine Cup were presented in front of the audience. The team also teased their upcoming Minecraft themed event for the upcoming Ignite 6.0.

The event concluded with a distribution of various Minecraft themed stickers, which caused quite a rush among the students.

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