## Walchand Institute of Technology, Solapur

WIT-Institution's Innovation Council

## **Report of Seminar**

Торіс	:	How to start a Start-up?
Details of Speaker	:	Ms. Bhumika Sukhadia Co-Founder, OPE Innovation Lab, Mumbai
Date	:	14/07/2022
Timing	:	11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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## Proceedings

Dr. L.M.R.J. Lobo, Convener – WIT- Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) & Coordinator-Impact Lecture Series, introduced Ms. Bhumika Sukhadia & told the purpose of arranging this session.

Ms. Bhumika talked initially about the product discovery. She then told that the designer's role in product development. She told participants that we should go through the obvious, non-obvious needs & comfort aspirations of customers. She told the definition of startup as is coined by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. She told participants that ideas should be triggered. She gave example of few startups from food industry. She said that one of the things which can be done is reduction of the elements in the chain from manufacturer to consumer. She advised students that they should not keep their ideas as secrete. Rather they should discuss with the customers & others during the education only as guidance from faculty will be available easily & they can interact a lot during their education only. She motivated students to start early, explore, wander, experiment & grow. She also said that your startup may be tiny & there may be many startups working on similar ideas, but execution matters. She told all the participants that the startup journey is long, shabby & full of tremendous learning. She advised students to spend more time on basics as it matters much & we should prefer collaborations to get the leverage of knowledge & experience of others. She also talked about diversifying & scaling up.

Total 129 students & 11 faculty members of various streams of engineering & other areas attended the session. Students & faculty came to know the various aspects of startups. This session will definitely help them in near future.

## Pics:



