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MUMBAI: Entrepreneurs, scientists, working mothers are among the motley bunch of students that make up the ninth batch of Post Graduate Program for Executives (PGPEX) at IIM Calcutta.

PGPEX, IIM Calcutta's one-year full-time MBA programme is open to mid-career professionals looking to move into senior and top management roles in the industry.



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Fifty four students have joined the PGPEX program this year, over 11% of whom are female candidates, a significant increase from 6% last year. The batch has an average experience of 104 months and international experience of 19 months.

Students from this batch come from diverse industries such as marine engineering, nuclear power, energy, defence, virology, water treatment, banking, manufacturing, automobile, consulting, IT & IT Services and have previously worked with companies such as EY, Deutsche Bank, Standard & Poor's, Oracle, BHEL among others.

The batch will travel to Mannheim Business School, Germany, and Michael G. Foster School of Business, University of Washington, USA, in August for two intensive weeks of academics and business visits, as part of the international immersion, a highlight of the programme. During this fortnight, the students will meet business and government leaders, visit leading companies, network, and understand the economic environment of the country.

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$\textbf{Dr. MANAS DAS} \ (\text{EX DIRECTOR IMI BBSR})$

14 Jul, 2015 05:55 PM

The TOI(LET) of last Sunday carried a paid article on PGPEX naming a few participants. I must remind the readers that empty vessel tries to sound much. During 1975 to 2000 IIMC was acknowledged as the topmost IIM and no media payment was necessary. Newsletters in universities and other institutions are full of news that PM Modi will be up in arms against corruption in academic institutions. Friends and foes may not.

Anti MD (India)

10 Jul, 2015 08:06 PM

HI Dr Manas, As I can see, you haven't replied to none of my questions. Please elaborate on my questions and then we can have a discussion. As to who I am, I am the same guy who want to put some sense in nonsense that people talk. And trust me I have respect for your seniority and knowledge. I hope you know as a good citizen of this country you will have proof for everything or else you can be a Tihar visitor under the case of defamation. Just ranting wont help.

Dr. MANAS DAS (EX DIRECTOR,IMI BBSR) replies to Anti MD 11 Jul, 2015 09:37 AM

A third grade fake name coward who has no eligibility to be in IIMC but has sneaked in through back door with Alimuddin's help, is naturally now passing sleepless nights. All elaborations are in the 500 page chargesheets against you by central intelligence agencies, including swapping of institute property. More will follow, including criminal prosecution, soon. Hold your patience. Who the hell are you to raise questions?

Sammy (Mumbai)

10 Jul, 2015 02:26 PM

One Year Programs in India (PGPX, EPGP, PGPEX, ISB-PGP etc) are doing a great job to attract experienced talents who, might otherwise have opted for foreign B-Schools. AFAIK, PGPEX is the only 1-year program in India that has been accredited by Global MBA certifiers like AMBA and AACSB. 2 year PGP and one year MBA together could provide a strong boost to Indian Management Education system. Good job IIM Cal.

Dr. MANAS DAS (Retd. Prof., IIM CAL)

08 Jul, 2015 05:43 PM

The coordinator of PGP-EX at IIM Calcutta is fresh young faculty in theretical economics with hardly any experience of executive teaching nor any exposure to the business and industry, as is the case with 95% of faculty. Naturally, the unprecedented wide diversity in the profile of PGP-EX students has presented a massive challenge to the bookish faculty who are at a loss what to do. Two weeks of tourism in Germany and Washington.

may release some of the tension of faculty. Not a bad idea. Is there a time-table for the programme at all? This kind of "selling" pf IIM aper certificates to affluent participants without imparting any knowledge of business education, is lowering the value of the flagship programme, namely, PGDM of IIMs. The PGP-EX kind of only money-spinning programmes without any input of knowledge and business skills must be stopped forthwith.

Indian (India) replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 09 Jul. 2015 09:53 PM

Faculty of PGPEX and PGP are exactly same. The admission of PGPEX is done through GMAT score and Pls, similar to PGP (Only difference is CAT). All major companies who recruit from PGP, recruit from PGPEX. One year program is the ONLY way to open the door of the IIMs to international students and complete with global schools as they follow GMAT. ISB has already done it. PGPEX students comes with diverse experience and are more mature to get "Business Education". In addition to that, there is no "Quota System" in PGPEX and all are selected based on merit. So your argument holds completely hollow!

Dr. MANAS DAS replies to Indian 09 Jul, 2015 11:13 PM

Empty vessel trying to sound much at the diktat of a critical patient in hospital bed. It is known IIMC faculty have no industry experience nor corporate business process exposure and hence ethically they have no right to be in a management institute at all, whether in PGP or PGP EX does not make a difference. In fact, the worst of such irrelevant faculty are pushed into PGP-EX as better ones refuse. If one year could make a pundit in executive education, then why better institutions are offering 15month and 18-month programmes at less than half the cost, with no bribe for admission and a much better programme? GMAT is thoroughly corrupted in India and elsewhere with Ram sitting for Shyam and question papers leaked out. It is a shame you are naming an institute whose President is serving a prison sententence in US. It seems you should convert PGP into PGP-EX wholesale, not the other way round. This proves both programmes are a sham. IIMC director from 2002 was advertising on Bengali TV channels calling candidates to meet him personally for admission into PGP-EX. Grapevine put the bribe price at Rs.8 lakhs. Now it must have doubled. Where is the merit? After the students get the worthless piece of paper, no job offer for them and they stick around being a jobless entrepreneur or a jobless mother. Stop the rubbish programme immediately.

> Anti MD (Anti MD) replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 10 Jul, 2015 12:31 AM

That was really enlightening. Thanks for the info. However, can you throw light on some of the queries with all the expertise you have? 1. Please provide all the data / proof as you have commented 'It is known'. (I assume you too being a retd. prof of IIM, you too do not have the experience you spoke of, so probably not eligible to comment) 2. Does the person going into jail make any institution bad? I guess some of us will have to get the facts correct here. As I assume you too know it is not a one man show) 3. Please provide proof on claims of programs being sham. 4. You being the prof of this institute, I hoped, shouldn't have believed on the grapevine rumors or at least found and provided a proof of it. Also the extrapolation seems to be based on some statistical data you learned from some institute of India (Though I am sure you will doubt their selection procedure too) 5. Merit. I am not clear whether you were involved in the selection process of this current batch of pgpex or you are thorough with the knowledge of what all these 54 students have achieved till now Please clarify 6. I do not know of the placement report but a simple check on LinkedIn can confirm that many, if not all, have secured Jobs 7. I presume you have details of financial status of all students as you have claimed 'affluent participants' 8. Proof of GMAT corruption. With due respect, please appreciate and respect the courage of students and moms in the program .B constructive

Dr. MANAS DAS replies to Anti MD 10 Jul, 2015 10:52 AM

Crooks and corrupt having to reply to 400/500 page chargesheets of central intelligence agencies are not ashamed and dare to open their mouth. Who the hell are you to request for proof? Be careful and remember that only on my genuine complaints, chargesheets are being issued and your false replies are

being rejected outright. IIIVI Calcutta was at the top from $\bar{1}975$ till 2002 when a worthless corrupt person was exported to it by IIMA and IITKGP who sowed the seeds of unbridled corruption, bribery, graft, in all areas from admissions, academics, placement, falsification of age records of his cohorts, disbursal of housing loans of several crores, and started the PGP-EX to "sell" IIMC certificates for cash. IIMC must be cleaned up first. Justify the profile of PGPEX coordinator, who has no experience of nor exposure to industry or business management. Everybody is aware that IIMC was spoilt in collusion with Alimuddin and its Head Office in Delhi. The b9bas....) Block at Joka is the Branch Office of Alimuddin. Quality of recruited faculty after 2002 is widely known. You are exporting the unworthy products of corrupted Fellow Programme to spoil newer IIMs like Ranchi and other B-Schools. Better be careful, or else, Tihar is ready and waiting for whole lot of crooks and corrupt and drug peddlers from IIMC and elsewhere.

Indian (India) replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 10 Jul, 2015 12:16 PM

People like you should be in a mental hospital. You really need an electric shock to bring you back to reality. Now I'm sure you are either a rejected applicant impersonating another exfaulty. Which IIN/!!PM do you belong to psych0? Do you even know that IIMs are autonomous? They don't need advertising themselves. Its 3rd grade colleges such as the one paying you to post SPAM need advertisement. IIMs were best at 1975. They are still the best today. And IIM includes PGPEX. So dear crybaby cry as much as u want, PGPEX is here to stay.

Indian (India) replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 09 Jul, 2015 11:54 PM

Dear tro!! impersonating another. You've just exposed yourself. Were you one of those PGPEX applicants who were kicked out? Or are you a IIN passout? GMAT is conducted by PearsonView Worldwide and is the same exam Top global B-Schools admit from. The way they are conducted is same across the world. PGP and PGP-EX cater to different audiences. Both are equally important for the institute to survive. P@thetic f@ilures like you won't understand what IIMs stand for. Their faculties are good enough to make sure they produce quality managers so that imbec!les like you are tamed and do not waste their company's bandwidth to badmouth others.

abhishek (iim c) replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 09 Jul, 2015 11:49 PM

mr dash plz get ur facts ryt. the pgpex

prog was launchd in 2006. and u mean that iim c director was taking money 4 yrs b4 its launch. thts as ridiculous as u seem to be. it shows tht u just want to promote some second grade college of urs by bad mouthing against a great institute which u urself have served. i hope the iim c tag which you have so

does give you sm good sense. god bless the poor soul Dr. MANAS DAS replies to Indian

10 Jul, 2015 11:13 AM

discreetly attached to ur name here

Read my reply above and educate yourself. Indian (India) replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 10 Jul, 2015 12:08 PM Read what? The useless SPAM you've posted? Refrain from posting cr@p in public sites else you'll get back what you deserve. Dr. MANAS DAS replies to abhishek 10 Jul, 2015 11:19 AM Better read through my reply above and educate yourself. abhishek replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 10 Jul, 2015 02:04 PM mr dash i am glad to join iimc after people lyk uhav been thrown out of this great institute. i can vouch that the learning this institute is providing is really amazing. so plz stay in your boots Dr. MANAS DAS replies to abhishek 10 Jul, 2015 03:57 PM Your folly has pushed you to intelligence net. Imagine a new entrant into PGPEX supposed to be working and/or studying, is busy online, being dictated by corrupt crooks so that at least a fake paper certificate is assured without doing anything, only paying the bribe and fees. Drown yourself in Joka ditch, if any shame is left in you at all. You are not to blame, it is pedigree, bad breeding and company of corrupt immoral crooks. Dr. MANAS DAS (Jupitar) replies to Dr MANAS DAS 10 Jul, 2015 04:58 PM I am a sore loser. I post stupid things in every one year mba thread because my sorry man-a s s was kicked out by IIMC. I use the name of IIMC so that people get confused. Sorry guys for wasting your time. Dr. MANAS DAS replies to Dr. MANAS DAS 10 Jul, 2015 05:51 PM This fake reply proves that not only faculty but PGPEX students are downright fake and illiterate. People know who are losers who were forced out without any retirement dues. The DON of B9bas) Block is critical, guru of PGPEX Coordinator. This proves that IIM Joka is full of Fraudsters who will soon be jailed. Peole all over the world know these thieves, thugs and crooks. IIMA-exported corrupt crocodile, sacked on 8th April. 2013, is trying to sit in A-203. Moment he does that, he will be in Tihar. Faculty and students have demonstrated PGPEX is a fraud and crooked programme.

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