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"Think Beyond Numbers. Build a Future of Possibilities."

Conceptualised in alignment with the objectives of competency-based education and career-oriented experiential learning, D.A.V. Public School, Thane organised a Career Counselling Workshop on Chartered Accountancy for Senior Secondary students, in association with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI). The initiative aimed to familiarise students with the professional landscape of Chartered Accountancy, its qualifying pathway, diverse areas of practice, and the opportunities it offers in the evolving world of commerce and finance.

The workshop was graced by the distinguished presence of Madam Mukta Baurai, School Head, D.A.V. Public School, Thane, and the eminent guest speaker, CA Yogesh S. Prasade, DISA. The session was designed to provide students with authentic professional insights and help them make informed career choices based on clarity, awareness and an understanding of the demands and possibilities of the profession.

The proceedings commenced with a formal welcome to the dignitaries, followed by an introduction of the distinguished guest speaker, CA Yogesh S. Prasade, a renowned Chartered Accountant, academic leader, financial advisor and community servant with over three decades of professional experience since 1992. He is the Designated Partner of Y S Prasade & Co LLP, a Chartered Accountancy firm in continuous practice since 1992. His extensive expertise in direct taxation, indirect taxation, GST, company law, Maharashtra property law, statutory audit and financial strategy offered students a valuable perspective on the scope and responsibilities of a practising Chartered Accountant.

The session familiarised students with the CA profession and its varied domains, including auditing, taxation, financial advisory, corporate finance, regulatory compliance and business consultancy. The discussion helped students understand that the role of a Chartered Accountant extends far beyond accounting and examinations; it involves analytical judgement, professional ethics, problem-solving, financial interpretation and the ability to guide individuals and organisations in making sound decisions.

Drawing upon his professional journey, CA Prasade shared insights into the opportunities that emerge after qualifying as a Chartered Accountant. His academic role as Head of the Accountancy Department at Joshi-Bedekar College (N.G. Bedekar College of Commerce), Thane, highlighted the significant contribution CAs can make to education, mentorship, curriculum development and the preparation of future professionals. His multifaceted career demonstrated how the qualification can open pathways in independent practice, corporate roles, academia, financial planning and leadership.

Students were also introduced to the importance of professional institutions and leadership within the CA fraternity through the speaker's association with the Western India Regional

Council (WIRC) of ICAI. CA Prasade served as Chairman of the Thane Branch during 2019–20 and had earlier held the positions of Branch Secretary and Branch Treasurer. Under his chairmanship, the branch received WIRC's Best Branch Award, while its students' wing secured a national runners-up position. These achievements offered students an insight into the role of professional bodies in learning, networking, development and community building.

Further enriching the interaction was the speaker's experience beyond conventional professional practice. His work in financial advisory, AMFI-registered mutual fund distribution and financial planning, corporate governance, and community service through the Rotary Club of Thane City reflected the breadth of contribution possible through a career in accountancy. His recognition with the Janrakshak Award by the Indian Medical Association was another testament to his engagement beyond the professional sphere.

The workshop encouraged students to look at Chartered Accountancy with a broader and more informed perspective. It highlighted the importance of building a strong academic foundation, cultivating numerical and analytical abilities, developing communication and decision-making skills, and embracing discipline, consistency and integrity. Students were encouraged to seek clarity about the CA journey, understand the commitment it requires and explore the many avenues available to qualified professionals.

The session proved to be an enriching career-guidance initiative, bridging the gap between classroom learning and professional realities. The interaction with an accomplished practitioner enabled students to appreciate not only how to pursue the CA qualification, but also the diverse roles, responsibilities and possibilities that lie beyond it. The successful culmination of the workshop reaffirmed D.A.V. Public School, Thane's commitment to empowering learners with meaningful exposure, informed choices and the confidence to shape purposeful careers.

"A Chartered Accountant's qualification is the beginning of a career, not the end of one."






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