

Write up on a day in I2XL Experiential learning in Singapore-

It was quite the amazing trip to Singapore Management University (SMU)! I along with four other batchmates went to SMU, Singapore to attend the I2XL Experiential learning program conducted in collaboration with IIT Kharagpur. It was a trip full of learning, meeting new people, building connections, travelling and trying good food. We spent most of our time in SMU carrying out discussion, brainstorming sessions or visiting places to understand the working of the financial world in Singapore. We were escorted to SGX (Singapore exchange), DBS (Developing bank of Singapore) and Chijmes, where we went to an Bombay based restaurant chain and had amazing Indian food in Singapore.

Professor Aurobindo Ghosh's enlightened us on advanced portfolio management. In order to develop solid investing methods going forward, we studied **Modern Portfolio Theory and Asset Pricing**. After we had recovered and regained our energy, Professor Hao Liang discussed innovation, sustainability, and entrepreneurship. His talk on sustainability in business was incredibly motivational and inspired us to include social and environmental concerns into our upcoming endeavours.

With Professor Melvyn Teo, we delved again into Advanced Portfolio Management, this time concentrating on the fascinating realm of hedge funds and alternative investment approaches. Mr. Sayanta Basu moderated an engaging panel discussion on the "Trilemma for the Future of Jobs." Dr. Rahul Banerjee, Professor Aurobindo Ghosh, and Mr. Anindo Mukherjee were all prominent members of the industry. Their perspectives on technology, artificial intelligence, and financial inclusion in the workforce were quite insightful.

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