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#### Co-ordinator's Message

Dear students,

We have finished with all examinations (theory and practical) of the previous session. The new session has just started with the class work for 7<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> semesters commencing today. Looking back, we suddenly realize we have come a long way since the online mode of teaching began. Although this alternate mode has brought with it variety of issues apart from a couple of advantages, we can't deny the fact that this, as they call it, is the "*new normal*". While we must not deny that certain problems have been experienced, we should also confess that many students have been taking things for granted.

Nevertheless, as we step into the next semester, we are being presented with an opportunity to make a new beginning. In fact, every day is a new opportunity. An opportunity to act, to improve, to achieve.

So let's all start afresh. There is a saying "When you realize how little you know, the process of learning actually begins." We have wasted enough time on things that bring us nothing but end up simply 'killing our precious time'. Just think honestly about how you spent your time in past few months, you would at once realize.

The problem with many students is that they lack discipline and focus in their studies. Give up laziness and non-seriousness. Develop a habit of hard work, application and perseverance in studies. Remember interest is something that can be developed. Remember covid and poor internet is a problem with all and not only you. Remember you are living in an information age. Remember your generation is most fortunate in terms of access to and availability of information.

Attend lectures regularly, study religiously, discuss concepts with your classmates and teachers, make extensive use of online platforms and tools, make your own study schedule and include each subject, devote separate time to whatever you think hasn't been learnt in the past semesters, assess yourself by trying questions/problems given at the end of book chapters, solve previous GATE problems. Distractions and interruptions are always there. Keep coming back to your books and lessons. Focus on improving your knowledge and skills level by level, step by step. You would sooner or later realize that learning subjects, mastering skills such as coding, & securing top marks is no big deal.

Inspite of the tough competition, the field of Computer Science & Engineering is promising. Latest reports show that majority of JEE toppers admitted to IITs are increasingly opting for CSE.

In the end I would say that time really flies. In a matter of few weeks and months, you would be facing the next session. Trust me if you try, you would find yourself one level ahead, one notch up and one step forward from the current. And eventually you will walk away with a degree worth a value, anywhere in the region, country and entire world.

All the best!

(Haris Manzoor Qazi)