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Mr. Vishwas Hase

Librarian,

RIT, Sakharale.

Subject: - Submission of reading club activity report for Year 2017-18.

Dear Sir,

We are sending herewith the final report of Reading club activity academic year 2017-18. Reading club activity presentation is scheduled at department level on 26/02/2018, Monday, 5.00 pm in department meeting hall and club members were shared the essence of book and its outcomes.

The detailed report of given format is attached herewith.

Thanking you,

Co-ordinator

Head Civil Engineering Department

## Rajarambapu Institute of Technology Department of Civil Engineering Report for Reading club Discussion (2017-18)

Sr.	Group ID	Title of Book	Author	Discussion points
<u>No.</u> 1	Civil_RC1 civil_rc1@ritind ia.edu	Practical Mind fullness	By Dr. Ken. A Verni	<ol> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Review – from Dr. P S Patil</li> <li>Practical Mindfulness offers an easy way of taking control to your life in the better manner. Focusing on simple breathing techniques, meditation tips and relaxation methods, this unique book is improving my concentration and will helps us to achieve success with comfort.</li> <li>An innovative Q &amp;A approach ensures that the process is personalised to us, enabling us to identify negative patterns of thinking and challenge them using well-respected exercises.</li> <li>Providing expert clarity through step-by-step guidance and visual pointers, the subject material is brought to life. The targeted exercises will help to boost our self-esteem, build better relationships, learn more effectively and distance our self from damaging emotions using real-life scenarios.</li> <li>Practical Mindfulness is a life-changing programme that, teach us to relax, give us the self-confidence to succeed and rid us of the anxiety that holds us back.</li> </ol>
2	Civil_RC2 civil_rc2@ritind ia.edu	Power of Subconscious Mind	by Joseph Murthy	<ul> <li>By Dr. A C Attar</li> <li>1. The whole book is divided into 20 chapters and written in a really good manner which you would love to read. Someone suggested me to read this book few months ago and I buy it 1 month ago and read it I found it really awesome book as it includes some of the best facts about our subconscious mind which we can easily apply and get best results in our life.</li> <li>2. Being a self help it deals with helping you in your life problems and make them easier for you. The main point that is stated in the book is that we have two minds one conscious or reasoning and the other one is</li> </ul>

				<ul> <li>subconscious mind.</li> <li>3. The subconscious mind takes the commands as the way you command and give the results based on that command it doesn't argue or reason with you. Read this book at least once to get a proper idea about how your subconscious mind works and how you can use it to get wonderful results in life.</li> </ul>
3	Civil_RC3 civil_rc3@ritind ia.edu	Reinventing India	Raghunath Mashelkar	<ul> <li>By- RC3- Dr. H.S. Jadhav, S.R. Deshmukh, S.N. Patil, A.M. Jamadar 1<sup>st</sup> Review - In this book, a number of speeches &amp; writings by Mashelkar, some published, unpublished, have been brought together. Most of the speeches have been delivered as lecture in different lecture series organized in India. Book also presents many examples of great individuals &amp; institutions across world and consists of Six sections. Section one is "Dreaming India". Here he shares a dream of reversing the brain drain &amp; creating world class institutions in India. which also covers the idea of author to hold a religion called positivity by changing individual &amp; institutional mindset. There is the description of the battle of Indian mind vs. Indian mindsets. Section comes to an end with necessity of &amp; ideas for building unique knowledge society in India by understanding the economics of knowledge. Unique Indian knowledge society would have every citizen as a knowledge worker, will make the most of traditional knowledge &amp; would be based on Indian culture. Section two is "Indian Science: Raising the Bar" Which deals with the change in mindset, thinking &amp; attitude of people in Indian science. Great science is based on great ideas &amp; Indian scientists must learn to generate those ideas in Indian laboratories here. Great ideas require great thinking. Not necessarily great resource. He also expects Indian scientists to be borderless and to be creative.</li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> Review - Reinventing India, Author - Raghunath Mashelkar In this book, a number of speeches and thoughts given by Raghunath Mashelkar are published. Most of the speeches have been delivered as lecture in different lecture series organized in all over India. All speeches are inspiring, innovative and passionate. He presents some examples of great individuals and institutions across world and consists of six sections namely few are, Indian science: raising the bar, Building &amp; transforming institutions,</li> </ul>

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				Building innovative India
				Section three is Building & transforming institutions. He share example of
				CSIR, the success of an institutional transformation can only be judged on
				whether it has sustained itself after leader left. Institutions will transform a
				science leader with an extraordinary imagination, daring and thinking. To
				building new India it becomes extremely clear that science and technology,
				research and development, generation of new knowledge is essential.
				Author also share view of national chemical laboratory, he has challenge to
				convert very good into an outstanding, by building the content into context
				itself forcing reverse engineering, hence NCL will become the international
				chemical laboratory. This Section explains about principle of imagination,
				basic essence of innovation, and patent.
				Section comes to an end with Interview of Dr. Mashelakar a journey of CSIR
				which is part of reinventing India. He transformed the organization into a
				user focused and performance driven R&D platform that laid great stress on
				innovation centered development. Finally he wrote that we need ambition,
				political will, an understanding that in future, we need to put explicit demand
				on science. We need to set up a movement that will move this brain drain to
				brain gain and eventually to brain circulation. We must recognize the special
				social circumstance, its importance, and attitude towards excellence. Finally
				with five guiding principles such as Political will, ambition, understanding in
				future, demand on science, reorganization and excellence, we can indeed
				create world class research led universities, which build and transform the
				institutions in the 21st century.
4				1 <sup>st</sup> review by- P B Salgar
				This is a "success manual" that gives readers a step by step plan for taking
				control of their lives and set free their incredible potential. The book is laid
	Civil_RC4	1. Attitude Is		out in three parts concerning thinking, saying and doing. Each chapter is an
		Everything:	Jeff Keller	essay on a topic relating one of these subjects
1		Change Your		The book consists of 12 Lessons as below:
	civil_rc4@ritind	Attitude		1. Your Attitude is Your Window to the World;
	ia.edu	Change Your		2. You're A Human Magnet;
		Life		3. Picture Your Way to Success;
				4. Make a Commitment and You'll Move Mountains;
				5. Turn Your Problems into Opportunities;
				6. Your Words Blaze A Trail;

7. How Are You?
8. Stop Complaining;
9. Associate with Positive People;
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10. Confront Your Fears and Grow; 11. Get Out There and Fail;
,
12. Networking That Gets Results.
• The book shows how author Jeff Keller used these principles to make a
career transition from lawyer to motivational speaker and shows readers
how they can make positive changes in every area of their lives.
• This is a book that is easy to read and fun to read.
• It's a timeless classic in the self-help field.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Review -By P B Salgar
1. This book starts with the quote " <i>Nothing can stop the man with the</i>
right mental attitude from achieving his goal. Nothing on earth can
help the man with the wrong attitude" by Thomas Jefferson.
2. In second lesson, author explained about Earl Nightingale's six words to
success i.e. "WE BECOME WHAT WE THINK ABOUT". In this entire
lesson author tries to show us that we are human magnets who have the
power to attract success with our thoughts.
3. "Turn your Problems into Opportunities". He reports a common question
to our brain i.e. "Why did this have to happen to me? What I am going to
do now? My plans are ruined". He says this feeling is natural and we
have two choices one to wallow in misery or to learn a lesson from
problem.
4. He wrote that we all face a period of uncertainty or struggle, but there's
always a flip side to the difficulty. The problem should not be seen as a
problem and it must be seen as an opportunity. This is a worthy message
given by Jeff. It is the time when we all face much difficulty. We should
be positive and help this to succeed in future. He writes Napoleon Hill
words "Every adversity carried with it the seed of an equivalent or
greater benefit."
5. He says that words have incredible power. They can build a bright
future, destroy opportunity or help maintain status quo. He says our
words reinforce our beliefs and our beliefs create our reality.
6. In this lesson, "How are you?". Jeff writes that it is frequently asked

2. Wings Of The Fire	Mr. Arun Tiwari	<ul> <li>question to every one of us and reply to this question matters. This can be answered in three categories: negative, mediocre and positive. He says that negative answers should be avoided as they kill enthusiasm of others too. He asks to reply with words like terrific even though they appear odd it will increase confidence in us.</li> <li>7. In this lesson, he says "Stop complaining!", that nobody wants to hear about our aches and pains. "Self pity is an acid which eats holes in happiness" "The secret of happiness is to count your blessings while others are adding up their troubles" by William penn. He tries to convey an important fact to his readers that complaining is a major problem with many of us. He writes that complaining should not be mistaken with expressing problems to nearest ones.</li> <li>I personally found the changes that took place after reading this book. I used to think in non-positive manner in some cases in my past situations. I remembered those past experiences of mine and critically analyzed those situations and tried to gain knowledge by seeing them in positive manner. One of my past situations i.e. failure in 12<sup>th</sup> Exam which has left me in nonpositive thinking and today this book helped me cleaning my own window and filled confidence in me. I feel that it is must read book by many students whose windows are spoiled. I felt that more examples are on other authors it would be better if he includes some other technical fields. This is minor thing viewing the entire book.</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> Review -Dr. P D Kumbhar</li> <li>Wings of Fire, is an autobiography of India's former president Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, who had been awarded with the country's highest civilian award the trie to the provide the term of the provide term of the provide term of the provi</li></ul>
An Autobiography Of APJ Abdul Kalam		'Bharat Ratna'. This biography has been written by Arun Tiwari who had worked under Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam for over a decade in the Defence Research and Development Laboratory (DRDL), Hyderabad. The author of this book has included only a few incidents among the many narrated to him by Dr Kalam. Author has expressed that, this book provides only a small version of Dr Kalam's life. This book focuses on Dr. Kalam's struggle in his personal and professional life at the same time the developments of missiles namely Agni, Akash, Prithwi, Trishul, Naag. The book highlights on various projects completed under the guidance of Dr. Kalam and how Dr. Kalam and his team had successfully completed launching of SLV-3 project and

in the missile technology. The book has been written in total four main parts. Part I: 1931-1963 (Orientation), Part II: 1963-1980 (Creation), Part III: 1981-1991 (Propitiation) and Part IV: 1991 onwards (Contemplation). Dr. Kalam wanted to become pilot and fly in the sky, however, his father's dream was his son should become a collector and serve the society. The first part of this book focuses on Dr.Kalam's life in his childhood days, schooling at his village 'Rameswaram' in Tamilnadu, high school education in Schwartz school at 'Ramanathapuram', intermediate education in St. Joseph college at Tiruchchirappalli (Trichi) and graduation at Madras Institute of Technology. The second part (1963-1980) of this book focuses on Dr. Kalam's visit to America for training at NASA and development of ISRO (Indian Space Research Organization) for development of indigenous Satellite Launch Vehicle (SLV) under the leadership of Prof. Vikram Sarabhai. The book focuses on development of rockets namely Rohini and Menka at Thumba Space Centre in Kerala. This part of the book also provides the information of success story of successful completion of SLV project and also the launching of Rohini Satellite using SLV from space centre located at Shriharikota (Tamilnadu) on 18 July 1980. Dr. Kalam's work was
appreciated by the then Prime Minister Mrs. Indiar Gandhi. The Third part of this book focuses on the works handled during the period 1981-1991. Dr. Kalam's shift from ISRO to DRDL Hyderabad. Dr. Kalam was appointed as Secretary of DRDL in 1982. Dr. V. S. Arunachalam was appointed as Advisor to Defense Minister, Shri R Venkatramon. During this period Dr. Kalam increased the progress speed of research and development work of DRDL and planned to implement long duration (12 years) 'Guided Missile Development Program'. Dr. Kalam was thinking on how to complete the project in various stages based on the availability of budget. Shri R Venketraman, Rs.388 Crores and asked to complete the missile development program in one stretch (i.e. integrated guided missile development program). It was decided to develop the missiles (weapons) namely Prithwi, Trishul, Akash, Naag and Agni. This part of the book explains how the all theses missiles developed under the guidance of Dr.Kalam.

				The fourth part of this book (contemplation) focuses on meditation by Dr. Kalam for his great contribution in Country's missile program, the guidance to him by his gurus at school, college days; and leaders like Prof. Vikrab Sarabhi, Prof. MGK Menon, Prof. Satish Dhavan and cooperation by all his friends and colleagues in making the country independent in the missile development and technology. This autobiography has been written with an objective to get inspiration of Dr. Kalam's life and his contribution in the development of nation.
5		1.Thought Power. (S S Kumbhar)	1. Annie Besant	<b>Review By, Prof. S S Kumbhar</b> The discussions about the book is as follows This little book is intended to help the student to study his own nature, so far as its intellectual part is concerned. If he masters the principles herein laid down, he will be in a fair way to cooperate with Nature in his own evolution, and to increase his mental stature far more rapidly than is possible while he remains ignorant of the conditions of his growth. Not Submitted
		<ul><li>2. Seven Habits</li><li>Of Highly</li><li>Effective</li><li>Peoples</li></ul>	2. By Stephen Keri	Book Review by Prof. MM Maske. "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" by Dr. Stephen R. Covey
	Civil_RC5	(Other all)		We have selected "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" by Dr. Stephen R. Covey, for our reading club activity. The book is very fascinating and is one of the most wonderful books ever written on personality development and success if not the best. The book begins with idea of Paradigm shift, needed for understanding the feelings like success, happiness, anger, sorrow, hatred, love etc. It tells us to turn inwards as all the emotions depend on our perception of the situations. It implies that to change the world, one should become THE change. Further he emphasizes the importance of character ethnic over the personality ethnic. As the former is deeper and more decisive factor which defines any individual. The fact that one cannot fake character makes it more reliable parameter to judge a person. So our honesty is the most important trait that can take us towards inner happiness and satisfaction. In Dr. Covey's own words "The way we see the problem is the problem, we must allow ourselves to undergo paradigm shifts, to change ourselves fundamentally and not just alter our attitudes and behaviors on the surface level, in order to achieve true change." The seven habits are as mentioned below,

1. Be Proactive
2. Begin with the End in Mind
3. Put First Things First
4. Think Win-Win
5. Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood
6. Synergize
7. Sharpen the Saw
These habits are like the vitamins which are essential for a person who is
emotionally healthy and more effective. Now lets go through a short summery of
first four habits,
1. Be Proactive Proactive is an adjective which tells about a person or action,
creating or controlling a situation rather than just responding to it after it has
happened. If you are proactive, you make things happen, instead of waiting for them
to happen to you. Active means "doing something." The prefix pro- means "before."
So if you are proactive, you are ready before something happens. For example, if
One knows that He or She'll be going on vacation soon, they should start saving
money now activities to do while on vacation.
2. Begin with the End in Mind
It means that one must plan ahead. One will have to construct in their mind what is
not yet a reality, and then figure out what steps are needed to get from the present to
the desired future. Dr. Covey compares this to builders creating and following a
blueprint. It especially makes sense for students and teachers at the beginning of the
school year
3. Put First Things First Putting First Things First, is not only about time
management and being more efficient. This habit has to think of more on a human
and ethical ground rather than in a materialistic way. Dr. Covey here implies that
people are most important, more important than other things in our life. Time
management drives us to be efficient.
4. Think Win-Win
Think Win-Win implies that we must try to grow together and succeed. Dr. Covey
talks about being dependent is the most basic step of any human being which is
followed by being independent. But the highest level is being interdependent; it will
lead one to be more effective. "To go for Win-Win, you not only have to be nice,
you have to be courageous." Dr. Stephen Covey. For example if a group of teachers
discusses their teaching strategies and work on them it can help everyone to
improve their teaching philosophies, also the students to will be benefited from it.
Thus there can be a Win-Win situation for everybody.
Thanks for reading! If you have any suggestion please let me know as it will open
new perspectives of how this book can be useful for us.
For wring the review along with my own experience I would like mention a few

		<ul> <li>resources apart from "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" itself that I have utilized,</li> <li>A blog by Anum Hussain on hubspot.</li> <li>TeachHub.com website.</li> </ul>
		□ An article by Eva Baker on Teens Got Cents

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