## ST. XAVIER'S INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION Report on Alumni Program - RENDEZVOUS (2020-2021)

The Alumni Association of St. Xavier's Institute of Education initiated a program titled **'Rendezvous – a tete-a-tete with our Alumnus'** during this academic year. The program is an online, theme-based interview with alumni who are well established in the profession. The monthly program is organized with the following objectives;

- To explore the possibilities of making the alumni, productive partners with the institute in a collective goal to enhance and enrich student life.
- To promote sharing of insights by the alumni that would prepare student teachers to face the challenges of the profession.
- To encourage greater involvement of the alumni with the institute in teacher formation
- To inspire students to make the best of the B.Ed. program offered by the institute and equip themselves with the requisite skill-set for the profession
- To develop organizational skills among the student teachers.

The program is planned, organized and conducted by teams of student teachers with the help and guidance of the Staff Alumni coordinators. So far, the program has been conducted in the months of July, August, September and October and it is still going strong as follows;

Sr.	Name of the	Batch	Day & Date	Theme
No.	Alumnus			
1.	Ms. Alethea Vaz; Assistant Lecturer and Course Coordinator, Forensic Science Program, St. Xavier's College	2017- 2019	20 <sup>th</sup> July, 2021	Interpersonal Acumen in Teachers
2.	Br. Agnelo Benjamin; Principal, St. Edmund's Higher	1996- 1997	18 <sup>th</sup> August, 2021	Spiritual Connect between Teachers and Learners

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	Secondary School, Shillong, Meghalaya			
3.	Mr. Pravin Vaz; Outreach Coordinator for Engineering and Computer Science at Victoria University, Wellington	2005- 2006	18 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Teacher Inventiveness
4.	Ms. Sonali Gandhi; Headmistress, Jamnabai Narsee School	1997- 1998	25 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	Making Education Relevant
5.	Ms. Pallavi Furia, Educational Consultant and Entrepreneur	1999 - 2000	30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2021	Education Beyond Teaching – World of Corporate in Education
6.	Dr. Pratibha Naithani, Head of the Department of Political Science, St. Xavier's College, Autonomous, Mumbai	1994- 1995	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Teacher – An Agent of Social Change

The program has been appreciated by the student teachers with almost above 90% agreement on the effectiveness of the following;

- Planning and Organization of the Program
- Suitability of the theme
- Relevance of questions
- Insights obtained from the Program

Student teachers have expressed that there were significant takeaways from the Program that would hold them in good stead in their future career.

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