

Report on Financial Literacy Workshop

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Institute of Vocational Studies, in collaboration with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), organized a Financial Literacy Workshop and Investor Awareness Program, for teacher trainees and faculty members, on 14th February 2025. The basic objective of this workshop was to equip future educators with essential financial knowledge and skills, in order to enable them to manage their personal finances effectively and to impart financial awareness to their students.

The key objectives of the Financial Literacy workshop were:

1. To make teacher trainees aware of the significance of financial literacy.
2. To educate teacher trainees on basic financial principles, including savings, investments, financial planning.
3. To educate trainees on SEBI's role in investor protection and financial legislation.

The workshop was undertaken by Ms. Himani Lath, SEBI Smart Trainer, empanelled with SEBI/NSE/BSE/. The speaker sensitized the gathering about the benefits of investing in stock markets rather than opting for traditional ways of investment like FDs, Gold, recurring Deposits etc. Focusing on the objectives of investment namely meeting emergency, family goals and retirement goals, she urged the audience to start investing early because at young age we can take the risk. She suggested that one should compulsorily invest in Health and Life Insurance. The various types of accounts – Bank Account, Trading Account and Demate Account were discussed. Schemes of Mutual Funds like Equity, Debt and Hybrid schemes were also discussed. She discussed about the procedure of investing in stock market namely, either through self or through brokers. Lastly she emphasized on various online frauds and how to be vigilant and cautious while dealing with online transactions.

The speaker shared links of various websites and apps of SEBI like Saathi etc. and SEBI-Investor Certification Exam course. The workshop ended with the Question Answer session and feedback about the workshop.

The Principal of the institute, Dr. Mandira Gupta thanked the speaker for enlightening session of financial literacy. She added that this highly beneficial workshop, which witnessed enthusiastic participation from teacher trainees and faculty members, helped participants gain practical insights into financial management. The teacher trainees actively engaged in discussions, seeking guidance on effective money management techniques. The participants expressed and acknowledged the importance of financial literacy in personal and professional life and appreciated this initiative and suggested that similar programs should be conducted regularly to enhance their financial knowledge further.

GLIMPSES OF THE EVENT

