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**Date: 07**th July 2022 **Topic:** Guidance on Profile Building to Select a Career Path

**Organized For:** Class 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> **Category:** Career & Professional Development

No. of Participants: 500+ students from different schools across India

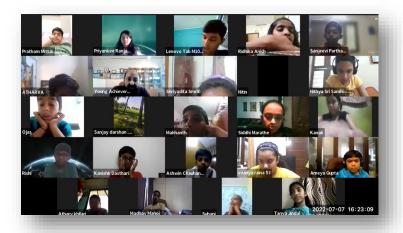
**Speaker/Presenter:** Mr Love Jain (Young Achievers)

#### Overview:

On July 07th, KAMP conducted a special workshop on "Guidance on Profile Building to Select a Career Path" by Mr. Love Jain. Mr. Jain is one of the leading career counsellors in India, with 20 years of experience in advising students on stream selections, career choices, and college entrance preparations for non-conventional careers in India as well as abroad.



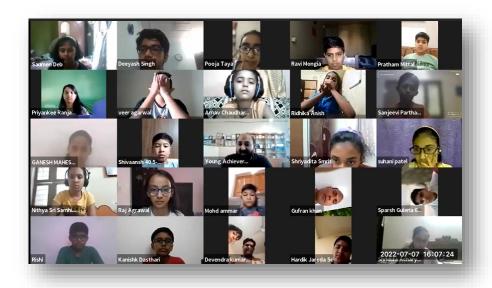
According to Mr. Jain, students should start considering their interests right after their primary years of schooling. They should start noticing their daily routine, and observing where they invest their time the most. As we all tend to invest more time in the activities we like, we should choose a career along those lines.



Some may find happiness while singing, while others may find pleasure in dancing or any other such hobby they may have. It is very important to understand who we are, what interests we have, and what strengths we have, so that we can enter into the right kind of career by bidding a suitable profile and walking along with it.

After identifying these, we need to start building our profile. Profile is doing those activities regularly that add skills to the kind of courses you want to choose in life. Suppose you want to be a singer. You should start taking suitable lessons and put personal effort into improving yourself. If you want to become an engineer, you should have at least a basic knowledge of power tools, circuitry, and how science works practically. It will not be fair on our part when we step into the shoes of a particular profession without understanding what challenges that profession will bring in our life. So, it becomes very important to identify what kinds of skill sets are needed in a particular area of interest that we want to carve out a career in.

One of the most common mistakes people make while choosing their career is noticing the success ratio around them, be it through a neighbour or a relative. For example, when we see that someone close to us has done engineering and obtained a decent job, our parents start to think that the same career is also meant for us. But this is not the right approach to choosing a career. The right way would be to understand our interests, hobbies, as well as academic interests.



So. it of utmost importance that we understand that there are different areas in which we can carve out a career. Additionally, it is not necessary that we follow what our parents, friends, or relatives say while making choices. career lt important we follow our own hearts and get support from our family and friends. Parents can help their

children by encouraging them to participate in both academic and extracurricular activities, which will provide them with excellent opportunities to learn and grow.

Another mistake people make while choosing a career is obsessing over core subjects like math or science, even though they are weak in them. They tend to think that these subjects will lead them to a secure career in the fields of technology, medical, and so on. It is important to understand that subjects such as commerce and humanities also have abundant career options. You can opt for market research, social research, interior designing, fashion designing, web designing, lifestyle accessory designing, or even product designing. So, there are a lot of choices in each segment that you want to enter into.

If you have an interest in the field of science, you have huge potential in artificial intelligence, machine learning, block chain technology, cloud computing, or data sciences. These are some career options that are already growing and will be in high demand in a few years from now. If you are interested in commerce and have a strong math background, you can opt for careers related to finance, such as chartered financial analysts, banking, or even insurance. Whereas, if you do not have a strong math background, you can opt for a career relating to marketing.

Our goal should be to learn more and more skills, time to time through agencies that provide professional experience related to the field of our interests. This will help you grow in the field as well as develop a credible profile towards a suitable career.

Last but not the least, it is very important for us to understand that there are equivalent examinations to enter a career field, but are lesser known to us. Most of us try to crack NEET or IITJEE to obtain a secure job, but there are also other examinations like the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) that can help you find a career such as a data scientist or business analyst. So, lt important for us to understand the resources available to us and



how we can best make use of them. Try to have a comprehensive understanding about the career of your interest and if required seek professional help to build your profile.

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