CAP Interview Experiences

Engineering Transcripts

Transcript 1

B.Tech(Computer Science), Workex of 25 months as a Software Engineer

Panel: 2 M

1) Tell me about your self
2) Currently you are not working, why did you leave your high paying job
3) If you didn't make to b school then what's your plan B?
4) Can AI replace entry level coding jobs?
5) ChatGPT full form
6) About bard and Gemini
7) Us elections(because I have mentioned geopolitics as my interest)
8) Eastern Europe crisis (because I have mentioned geopolitics as my interest)
9) What will you bring to an MBA classroom
10) Goal after MBA
11) Co curricular and extra curricular specific questions

Transcript 2

Profile: 9/9/7 CSE
OBC Engineer Male
3 years workex in corporate

P1 Female P2 Male (Both professors I guess)

P1: TMAY
P1: Why MBA
P1: Why IIM and not TAPMI (as I'm from manipal)
P1: Dream company, role, location, salary
P1: Notable alumnis from IIMs who inspires you
P1: Heritage and History of Udupi (home city)

P2: Asked why management again. All those skills any can devsloped anyways

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M: Tried explaining how my current manager who is an engineering manager doesn't have a managerial degree but is up there with 10-15 years experience and how structured learning will help me develop those skillsets and bridge my knowledge gaps.

P2: Fav Subject
M: Computer Networks

P2: You've scored less in CN then how can it be your favourite. If you're not doing well in the subject you like how will do well in management.
M: Tried explaining scores don't always reflect my interests and also explained how I've scored well in Management subjects if that is what he is looking for.

P2: Explain role of Product Manager
M: Told

P2: Explain Lifecycle of product
M: tried explaining taking example of Sony Walkman

P2: Give an example which doesn't involve tech and how a product declines
M: took an example of shoe and how fashion trend and or introduction of creative design or material might cause decline

P2: Apart from innovation, tech and introduction of new features what else can lead to decline of a product
M: couldn't give a satisfying answer

P2: Any international news
M: Mentioned on Temple inauguration in UAE, Israel Hamas, Russia Ukraine, Recession in the west and Europe, Japan Earthquake

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Transcript 3

9/9/7
Btech in Electronics and Communications Engineering
Fresher

Two panelists: P1 and P2
P1: TMAY that is not provided in the form
P1: So you did Btech in ECE tell me difference between Diode and Transistor
(Tells the diode functioning forgot the second one asks again Sir what was the second one?)
P1: Transistor
(listens resistor :(starts telling resistor)

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P1: laughs nono transistor

(tells transistor)

P1: tell me semiconductor

Next tell me ohms Law(I don't know why I said V= LR starts laughing again and I correct it V=IR)

P1: Tell ac and dc current

P1: asks about a industry which I was not aware of

P1: what is Sensitivity?

P1: asks a equation (a+b) and a/b which is more sensitive

P1: what is resistance ? can we change it?

Over to P2

P2: You did a lot of leadership roles. How did you motivate them?

P2: gives a situation to motivate the team members when they are getting low salary

P2: Tell a scenario where you managed an event that was going bad and how did you managed it?

P2: Paytm issue

Done

Transcript 4

Profile-GEM fresher

P1 (Male 50+) P2(Female 35+)

P1- 1)So Laksh tell me what your name means

2)What's your aim in life

3)So you're a computer engineer(Had to correct him and tell him that I'm an Electrical Engineer)

4)What's your favourite subject

5) Said he's not familiar with power electronics so he'll ask me questions on digital electronics

6) What are the different types of logic gates

7) What are universal gates and their example

8) Asked me ohm's law and asked how current varies wrt voltage and resistance

9) Governer of my state(Maharashtra)

10) President of India

11) What is inflation and explain with an example? Also asked inflation rate which i messed up by a percent

12) What is GDP?

13) What is the current GDP

14) India's GDP ranking

15) Aim wrt GDP in 2047

16) Explain what you understand from the term GDP
17) If Pakistan's GDP is less than the net worth of Tata could he buy the country?
18)Also asked whether I just wanna earn money or become a manager somewhere in the beginning

P2- 19)So Laksh tell me which field you are interested in?
20)Which company's marketing do you like the most and why?
21) Explain how Zomato could improve marketing and reach older people

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Transcript 5

CAT - 97.1%
9 months work experience in maritime industry
GEM (Mech)

As the last person in line, I had a long wait.
P1 - MALE (50s')
P2 - MALE (30s')

Interview duration - 15Mins

P1 : You've been waiting for a very long time. How are you doing? Are you stressed?
Me : I was working concurrently while I waited, sir. I had a work day.

P1 : That's really good, So are you in office rn?
Me : Nope, WFH.

P1 : Tell me everything about you, including your hobbies and background.
Me : spoke about it for two minutes.

P1 : Work Ex related qs
P1 : Some follow up questions related to work ex
P1 : Said Given your apparent enthusiasm for your work, why MBA?
P1: How does mechanical engineering fit into your career and goals? (As I mentioned, I have an interest in operations and i am working as operations executive)

P1 : How do you stay up to date with current events?
Me : Newspaper and few apps

P1 : Any recent news?
Me : The impact of the Red Sea crisis on trade and potential means of commodities transportation.

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P1 : Good, I am done.

P2: I really appreciated your confidence.

P2: Beyond your studies and work, what other hobbies do you have?
Me : Football, Running (quick follow-up Qs on that)

P2 : You seem to be a champion at the state level in karate. How has it helped you ?

P2 : Origin of karate

P2: Books you read?
Me : Meditations by Marcus Aurelius

P2 : a little taken aback and then inquired about an overview of it.

P2 : Okay fine, We are done.

No Acads, No GK :)
I found the panel to be quite chill, just stay confident.
Best Wishes.
[09/03/24, 7:58:18 PM] DP: IIM B
P1: Mukta Kulkarni (Organisational behaviour and HR)
P2: Deepak Chandrashekhar (Strategy)
P3: Probably an Alumni (in his 50s)

WAT: AI has concerns about biases in its algorithms. Analyse the concerns and provide solutions.

P3: what's the buzz going on outside, about us?
S: Nothing about you as such. Just the questions you all are asking.
P1: Tell us about exoskeleton project
S: Told
P1: What are the things which you would change if you get a chance to work on in again.
S: Told about incorporating AI
P1: How would you scale it?
S: Thought about it for a while, then talked about things such as manufacturing and data collection. (The panel seemed unconvinced)
P1: what are you doing currently?
S: I mentioned about reading, learning about product management.
P1: tell specifics about Spotify case?

Grilled on that.

P1: What is one thing about Ayn Rand that doesn't apply to current world?

S: Told that pure objectivism is something not relatable to many people. Each individual has their own subjective realities.

P1: But brands these days are becoming more objective in nature.

S: (Didn't know what she meant by that) I think that brands are becoming more personalised.

P1: (Looking at P2) You might have an opinion about it.

P2: (Ignored the whole thing) Tell more about the Spotify case, what is their business model?

S: Started talking about what good feature they have.

P2: Tell me more about business model. how do they make money?

S: Told about their subscriptions and ad revenue.

P2: Do you follow business news?

S: Yes I read ET

P2: Tell me anything about Indian economy that interests you?

S: Asked about specifics

P2: Tell me anything.

S: Told about UPI

P2: But that is not anything special. Tell me about state of the economy

S: Told about how economy is growing inspite of all the recession.

P1: You seem like an all optimist to me. But IIMs are struggling to place their students.

S: I told that this is a short time and world is facing recession.

P2: why is Indian economy so resilient?

S: Indian economy is demand driven. Local manufacturing and companies will make it more resilient.

Lots of cross questioning on this.

P3: I want short answers. What did you do at Mahindra and Noccarc.

S: Told

P3: We are a fan Mahindra and how it is best suited for in scenario of global recession. What do you think? Or Indian economy, you're not so optimistic about Mahindra? (They almost laughed mockingly)

S: I was blank for a while. Then talked about costs, innovation

(There were cross questions here too.)

P3: Clearly you don't want BA. How do you see your career growing in this direction?

S: told about product management in short term and then long term in leadership positions

P3: tell me some Indian companies with good products according to you.

S: I was pretty blank out of nervousness. Then told about Zomato (I could have done better in this, but nothing was coming to my mind at that point)

P3: at least give me one more name

S: smiled and said Mahindra

P3: any questions for us, only program related?

Transcript 6

Profile: 8/8/8

Time: 15 mins
M1 (in his 40s)
M2 (in his 50s)
Both were Professors

M1- Tell me about yourself

C - Answered

M1 - make me pause in between and asked about my international challenges accolades.

C - Answered

M1 - ok continue

Then made me pause about the last part of my TMAY: hobbies.

(I have mentioned Cricket and movies, and one day I want to go and watch INDvsPAK worldcup match live.)

M1 - How will you get tickets? There is too much demand for it. Give me a strategy

C - I told them how I will keep track of the matches and venues and when the tickets will be available. I gave an example of how this strategy helped me get tickets for high-demand RCBvsCSK IPL Match.

(seems satisfied).

M1 - Asked about why you want to go from AI to MBA. As this is the next big thing, and there is huge demand for AI in the market.

C- Answered with the Why MBA draft prepared that I want to become AI Product Manager.

M1- Good. Now I'm done with questions.

M2 - Asked about Where you are now?

C - I mentioned Bangalore

M2 - Tell me 3 latest news about Bangalore

C - Mentioned the Karnataka govt protest against the Centre for fair demand of taxes, Current developments about the Yellow Metro Line (driverless metro), Water crisis in Bangalore

M2 - Asked me from where I read news

C - Mentioned: Indian Express and the Hindu

M2 - Good, nice to hear you young people still read newspapers. Do you know apart from Bangalore in which other cities this paper circulates in Karnataka?

C - Said I'm not aware about it

M2 - ok. Now tell me, from which other states does Karnataka share its borders?

C - Said: 6 States overall: MH, AP, Telangana, Goa, Kerala and Tamil Nadu

M2 - So do you know from which city in KA, you can go from Karnataka to Andra Pradesh?

C - Said I'm not aware about it, Sir. I have moved to Bangalore only recently.

M2 - Oh, ok. So, where are you from?

C - Said Bhilai, CG.

M2 - So tell me three things for which Bhilai is famous for? apart from Bhilai Steel Plant?

C - Mentioned one of largest ACC Cement plant, Maitri Bagh: Largest biological zoo in CG, and why its also called Mini India

because of its diversity and industrial significance

M2- How many Lok Sabha seats come under it?

C - Said it comes under District Durg jurisdiction and Durg has only 1 seats.

M2- (seems shocked) Only 1? Why?

C - Answered by saying how it's a small town and mentioned about it's population figures.

Also told that the CG has only 11 Loksabha seats overall

(seems understood)

M2 - Asked about State Assembly seats

C- Mentioned overall seats and number of seats Bhilai has.

(done with questions)

M1 & M2 - Asked me, do you have any questions for us?

C - Asked what all I should prepare before joining the B-School and make a good fit for the class of 2024

M1 & M2 - Said you have a very good overall profile and are doing very well now. Don't prepare anything now. Enjoy your time at Carl Zeiss and enjoy the weather of Bangalore and blessed me very generously.

Transcript 7

Background: B.Tech, Electrical Engineering & Software eng work ex (19 months)

P1 : TMAY

P2 : So, you don't like ur job? Then why mba?

P2: How is chatgpt being used for work these days? (Explained how I used it and increases productivity and told even entry level analysts can upload Excel sheet and get insights etc.)

P2: So you are saying humans don't need to do any analytical or thinking work now?

P1: How many IIMs in CAP? Can you tell capitals of the states in which these 10 CAP IIMs are?(Told 2-3 only and said don't remember rest)

P1: Fav sub from electrical.(Told signal and systems)

P1: what is Fourier transform? Given a signal what's it's formula?

P1: What did you learn in economics course in college?

P1: Tell me abt any extra curricular activity you did.

P1: What do you know abt current affairs? Said..Tell anything other than Paytm..I m tired of listening that.

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Transcript 8

GEM (Mechanical) Fresher (87/77/7.2)
CAT – 98.46
20TH FEB, Afternoon
2 panelists PI and P2
P1 – Tell me about your life during your B. Tech
Told
P1 - Subjects studied in the last sem
Told
P1- Did you study the subject Industrial Engineering Management?
Told that it was taught to us in the 4th sem
P1- Asked a few concepts like time study and work study
Could not recall clearly therefore didn't answer.
P1 asks P2 to ask questions
P2- Explain your internship project
Told
Couple of cross questions on that
P2 - What is Sensex?
Told
P2- No. of stocks in Sensex
Told
P2- How many stock exchanges are there in india?
Told
P2- Why MBA?
Told
P2 - Why don't you get some workex and then apply?
There was some disturbance therefore wanted to confirm the question, to which he says it's okay, let it be.
P2- What's the capital of Manipur?
Couldn't recall
P2 - Capital of Mizoram?
Couldn't recall
P2- Capital of Tripura?
Told
P2- Name of the RBI Governor?
Told
P2- Name of the Railway Minister?
Told

Asked me to log out. Overall it was a very chill interview, but it seemed that they were tired since mine was the last interview of the day, so they wanted it to get over fast.
Overall time - 12 mins

Transcript 9

Profile: 99.03 in CAT. (9/8/8) GEF
Btech cse.

P1: TMAY
A: Started with my firm that I started during my college and my on job training experience. Then my national achievement and then my hobbies
P1: You just mentioned about your experience but you haven't stated all of it in Cat.
A: Because any experience parallel to graduation isn't considered.
P1: So entire 4th year you were in full time job?
A: explained how it's the choice of the student to either continue with classes or Opt for on the job training.
P1: (started reading out my grad subjects. He came across probability and stats) Explain mean mode and median.
A: answered.
P1: What are electoral bonds? Why are they in news recently?
A: Told in detail.
P1: what's your take on the farmer protest?
A: I told them I was against MSP being implemented. Also told them about a case study from US which resulted in a lot of negative result due to the president doing something very similar to implementing MSP.
P1: So you think MSP shouldn't be there?
A: told him how hypothetically speaking, if I were to own a restaurant, it shouldn't be the government's responsibility to promise me a certain number of customers every month.
P1 seemed satisfied, asked P2 to continue.

P2: Started going through my graduation subjects. So you took fashion styling as an elective?
A: Yes, we were supposed to pick something unrelated to the course.
P2: So what did they teach you?
A: Told.
P2: asked something about government giving ideal measurements for everyone? (Had no clue)
A: I don't have enough knowledge to be able to comment on that sir.
P2: No problem. You also had fundamental rights and duties as your elective? Tell me about Fundamental rights and duties.
A: Told.

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P2: what all languages have you studied?

A: C, C++, Java , Python.

P2: Tell me the difference between all.

A: Told.

P2: One last question, what is one bad thing about LPU? (Lovely professional University)

A: That they take everyone in.

P2: So they don't filter people out.

A: Yes sir, exactly.

P2: Thank you, have a good day, Take care.

A: You too. Have a good day.

Transcript 10

OBC-NC Male Fresher
Mechanical Engineering
91/95/85

P1- Female(45-50)

P2-Male (35-40)

P1

1) TMAY

2) What achievements do you have in sports at the college level(Clarified it was just an hobby)

3) Why MBA as a fresher?

4) Assuming you are a screen manufacturer for mobile phones, how would you carry it out?

5) Is it B2B or B2C?

6) So C2C doesn't exist? (I said no but later was rectified with the example of OLX)

7) What do you think about the modern automobile industry?

8) About Hydrogen as a fuel

P2

9)How can a mechanical engineer benefit from an MBA?

10) Favourite subjects in Mechanical

11) Define Factor Of Safety

12) If a truck weighing 1000kg is going to be produced then how will you calculate factor of safety for it?

13) Define Industry 4.0

14) How will it affect our modern industry? Tell me about Industry 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 5.0.

15) What hobbies do you have?

16) Sing a song (As I had told Carnatic Music)

Then they said thank you and asked to log out

Around 15-20 min. Very chilled interview. P1 grilled me a little as I put forward my opinions on lot and firmly believed I would carry out B2C first but not so much stressful. Both were very friendly and smiling.

Transcript 11

95/92.2/69, 95.01 In CAT
Work ex in Analytics and Data Science for ~ 3 Years
Duration - approximately 15 minutes

1 Male Panelist. Was chill and smiling throughout.

1. So you have worked a lot,how many companies have you worked in?
2. What was your designation in all of them?
3. What was your team structure in your last company?
4. Which team were you a part of and how many people did you manage?
5. What did you do as a Senior Business Analyst?
6. How do you go about Solving a problem in different sectors?
(For example - marketing, FMCG etc? My answer was centred around solving a problem in Product analytics)
7. How do you handle your bosses?
8. Have you worked in projects in which you have very strict deadlines?
9. How do you manage to navigate such projects?
10. Are you an engineer?
11. Did you have any co curriculurs in school and college, if yes tell us about them?
12. Where are you from?
13. What is famous in Varanasi?
14. Who is the MP from Varanasi?
15. How many parliamentery constituencies are in UP?
16. Who is the RBI Governor at present?
17. Who is the finance secretary of India?
Thank you, you may leave the meeting.

Transcript 12

Non-Engineers Transcripts

Transcript 1

Profile - GNEF, IPM (BBA) graduation

Panel - 1F, 1M

P1: So you've studied the fundamentals of business education right? (Yes)

P1: Have you heard about the hofstede research? (No)

P1: did you study OB? Organisational culture? (Didn't have OB subject but studied organisational culture to some extent in PoM and HRM)

P1: what do you understand by Performance Management system and Performance Appraisal system? (Answered)

P1: no. Of states and UTs in India?(answered)

P1: what are some other awards of national importance like the bharat in india? (Couldn't recall, didnt answer)

P1: last book you read, apart from acads? Author?

P2: speak on serendipity.

(No time, immediately start)

P2: you are enrolled in a 5 year course, then why do you want to change?(answered)

P2: Etymology of strategy?

(Didn't know)

P2: okay then what do you understand by strategy?(answered)

P2: I'll give you a sentence, you have to speak for or against it : "Justice is socially sanctioned revenge."

(Spoke a little bit against the motion)

P2: give examples of ethical marketing (I paused to think)

Interrupted, said that acc to me all marketing is unethical then? (Answered in negative and gave example)

Finish.

Transcript 2

(10,10,8) , BSc IT no workex
CAT 99.34

2 panellist: P1male (mid30s or 40s) , P2 male (in mid 40s and eating paan)

When interview stated i was playing the guitar so here's how it went ahead

P1 started :so you play the guitar , how did you learn ?
Myself: self taught sir
P1: what levels have you completed
Myself: explained that i learned looking from friends who played while i was in hostel
P2: this process of you learning guitar at a young age , what can you inculcate from this in management ?
Myself: i see 2 things here sir , curiosity and the willingness to learn and interact .
P1:
What other hobbies ?
Myself:
Play other instruments as well , named the instruments , play most sports
P1: which sport particularly?
Myself : basketball
P1: basketball situation india ?
Myself: told him that it is gaining popularity but not in masses . told him how it is predominantly a tall player sport and compared average heights of indians and americans .
P1: good , so you are from raipur chhattisgarh , tell me something not known about the place
myself: told him about how it is known as the "nanhial of shri ram "
 And of the presence of a kaushalya mandir
P1:what is special about today
Myself: told that it is my mother's birthday today (it actually was)
P1: asked me about current affairs particularly paytm
Myself: told about their non-compliance issue concerning their identification process in onboarding.
P1: do you know about Isaac Newton, state 2nd law of motion
Myself: told about f=ma
P2 took over.(it felt like a good cop bad cop with p2 as bad cop constantly interrupting and speaking in a non-coherent manner due to paan)
Asked reason for doing MBA
Myself: told prepared answer
P2: what is finance
M: told him study of money and related subjects
P2:asked what is production and what is required for it and whether i had studied economics to which i told no .
Asked about consulting as i had mentioned , asked what should consultant's skill be , i told jack of all trades and king in few
Asked about my graduation subjects
Told AI
He said not a course , tell me your subjects , i told him AI was a subject .
Asked about other subjects which i told .
Asked about maths used in AI , told about statistics , he further asked what is ML , told.

Lastly P1 asked two reasons for not selecting you :
 i said a) by graduation being of different field
b)not having any work experience

Overall good and quick .

Transcript 3

Duration: 10 Minutes

Two Panelists: M and F

F: What is the meaning of your name?

A: Told

M: Asked me some significance and history about Guru Arjan Dev Ji.

A: Told

F: Percentile and other calls? What will be your preference?

A: Told

M: Tell us about your Family Background.

A: Told

M: Since your father is in Govt. Service, why don't you want to join it?

A: Answered

M: You have been studying commerce since 11th. Why so?

A: Answered

F: Favourite Subject?

A: Answered

F: How should a company raise money, through debt or equity?

A: Explained in detail, F was satisfied.

M: How does a startup raise money?

A: Explained all financing rounds culminating with IPO.

M: What are some recent ways to do commerce?

A: Fumbled a bit on this but talked about e-commerce.

M: When was Amazon incorporated?

A: Wasn't Aware

M: Take a guess, before or after your birth?

A: Before

M: Doesn't this contradict your statement about e-commerce being recent?

A: Answered that it has gained traction in the past 10 years but wasn't aware of any other methods to do commerce.

M: Who is the Commerce Minister of India? Who is the Finance Minister of India?

A: Answered both

M: What is G20?

A: Answered

M: What is NCR? What is the purpose of naming an area as NCR?

A: Wasn't aware of the reason of naming it as NCR and hence answered it generically.

M & F: Thank You, you may log off.

Transcript 4

CAT: 99.15, 9/9/8 GNEM, BSc (Physics), Passed CFA L2.

P1: Male (50s)
P2: Female (50s)

P2: So you're from Pune.

- Yes born and brought up

P2: You have done a BSc in Physics.

- Said yes and also mentioned CFA L2

P1: Have you passed Level 2 or Pursuing?

- Passed

P1: * Nodded *

P2: In 2016 we had Siri, then now we have ChatGPT, Bard. What category would you put this technology in?

- AI, in particular something closer to AGI - Artificial General Intelligence.

P2: What is the difference between ChatGPT and Siri?

-ChatGPT is a large language model whereas earlier technologies were not language models and far less sophisticated.

P2: Explain language models simply.

- * Tried doing so but was constantly interrupted *

- Finally landed on the absolutely fundamental definition of a black box with a certain input and a certain output.

P1: So you have graduated from Fergusson College. Is it a public/private College/University?

-It is an autonomous college affiliated to a state university (SPPU) moving towards becoming a university.

P1: Get a pen and paper and write a formula for Net Present Value.

- wrote and explained

P2: What is r in the NPV formula?

- Cost of Capital

P2: What are the elements of the cost of capital?

- Debt and Equity

P2: Do we have to make any adjustments to the debt portion in the cost of capital?

- Yes we have to adjust for tax shield

P2: Why?

- Because interest is tax deductible

P2: What is EPS?

- Earnings Per Share

P2: How do you calculate it?

- (Net Income - Preferred Dividends)/ (# of common shares outstanding)

P2: What is diluted EPS and how do you calculate that?

- Explained what dilutive securities are (employee stock options/convertible bonds) and the adjustment that needs to be made to the EPS denominator.

P2: You're a science student so why the jump to finance?

- Told my story

P2: Why did you take science for UG?

- Said that I was good at Math/Physics in Class 11 and 12 so I thought BSc would be good.

P2: So you don't like it now?

- Said that I do but did not find the career prospects in the sciences very appealing and hence the decision to shift.

P1: There is a saying that when New York sneezes Indian markets catch a cold. Please explain.

- Started speaking: 'The global markets have become very interconnected -'

* interrupted mid sentence just as I had begun to speak *

P1: That will be it thanks

Interrupted a few times in the beginning and the end but let me speak without interruption in the middle.

Not a stress interview but the panel definitely had me on my toes.

Transcript 5

Profile - Dentist (B.D.S)

Time - 15 mins

Panellist - M1 (in his 40s)

          M2(in his 30s)

M1- So how should we address you ? Name or Dr.

A- I said I am fine with both

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M1- Why MBA?

A- gave the prepared answer

M2- If you have to contribute as entrepreneur in long term then what field and any ideas you have ?

A- In the healthcare domain, especially in health tech sector

M1- Asked me to elaborate a bit on it , about the current status etc.

A- Told them about the dependence on import with some data and mentioned the National Devices policy 2023

M1- Any other government initiatives taken in this field

A- Told them about the MedTech Mitra and other initiatives

M2- Which department launched this? And minister name.

M2- Any other department that health minister handles ?

A- Could not remember the complete portfolio , forgot about fertilisers

M1- Neighbouring countries of India

M1- Does India share border with Afghanistan and name of the region .

M1- Tell me about Jaipur history , Raja Sawai Man Singh

M1- Three places to visit in Jaipur

M1- World heritage sites in Jaipur

M1- three words to describe you and why ?

Over to M2

M2- difference between healthcare and general management

A- Told them about the basic difference, responsibilities etc

M2- Budget 2024 with respect to healthcare

A- Basic data , cervical cancer , scheme etc

M2- Does politics affect healthcare

A- Yes , mentioned the different schemes, budget allocation in different government . Economic policies which directly and indirectly affect healthcare

M2- discussion related to ethics and mental health .

M2- GDP at factor rate

A- answered the basic but couldn't explain properly

M2- inflation and factors affecting it.

A- satisfied with answer , no further questions .

Overall chill ,genuinely interested in listening and not much cross questions.

Transcript 6

1) Handloom vs powerloom, thoughts? (I come from nift, hence this ques)

2) Where is India headed towards Silk production

3) Why mba? Why shift from fashion to management? Open to other companies?

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4) 1 quality you think is important in a leader
(I answered pursuit for innovation)
5) invention vs innovation
6) Byjus news
7) Paytm news

Transcript 7

Female Panelist.
1) Difference between Company Balance sheet and Bank Balance sheet?
2) Tell us about your job role?
3) Do you think you are working under a dead-end job?
4) Did you tried to improve yourself in your company did you tried to grow?
5) Sustainable development goals (Name any four)

Male Panelist
1) Do you play any sport?
2) Name any five Rule of Kho-Kho?
3) Any specific duration it is played?
4) Name five women players of Kho-Kho?
5) Which other sport do you follow?
6) Do you read newspaper or magazine?
7) Editor of the newspaper?
8) Where are you from?
9) Tell me something unique about Rajasthan?
10) Number of Seats in Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha?
11) Health Minister of India?
12) What is your main role in your company?
NO GRILLING OR CROSS QUESTIONS

Transcript 8

Waited for an hour before they let me in, gave me my sequence and put me back in the waiting room for 30 mins

BA Hons in English Literature fresher (still in last sem, no internships)

time- 20 mins

M1 (in his 50s)

M2 (in his 40s)

M1- tell me something about yourself that is not in your cv and shows your leadership quality
A- told them about how i formed and lead the quiz society in my college, they asked last quiz topic? i said recap 2023
then they asked me about current affairs from 2023
-I said Russia Ukraine Israel Hamas war, Nobel prize in literature to a norwegian writer- bit of cross questioning on this

How good are you in math? draw me a graph of $y=x^2$ (did)

Tell me about the recent bharat ratna winners- told

you're so young not even 21 why don't you get some work ex before joining mba? told them I want to get into marketing and don't want to stay in academia anymore especially since chatgpt has made my degree useless, they laughed and asked me do you think print ads have become useless after ai? told them about amul's longest running ad campaign that retains it's popularity despite being hand painted-
he smiled

over to M2
do you know about myths? said yes
which mythologist do you know? said devdutt pattanaik
ok tell me about the difference between sita and draupadi- told about differences in their temperament, their births, sita born from earth draupadi from fire, their marriages (he seemed satisfied)

said do you know about farmer's protest 2.0? said yes and told about Delhi borders being sealed and section 144 being imposed- he asked do you know about pragati maidan- said yes that was the protest site during first farmer's protest- ok do you know what is happening there now? said yes the world book fair 2024 (he seemed satisfied)

asked tell me something about g20 meet last year- told- which month was it held- told August (it was September)- ok anything special happened under india's leadership? told inclusion of african union- asked how many countries in the union- told 55- he said ok

ok last question tell me in one line what is the difference between american and british literature? i thought for some seconds before saying one is the literature of the coloniser one is the literature of the colonised
-he smiled and told me to log off.

no grilling, was very conversational and they genuinely seemed interested in what I had to say.

Transcript 9

(24-2-24)
Background:BA(hons) Political science from DU

P1
•Tell me about yourself.
•Since you had environment as your subject tell me about its syllabus.
•Tell me about biodiversity
•tell about Paytm issue
•no of seats in lok sabha and rajya sabha
•How many types of party are there?
•is AAP national or regional party
•how many states and union territory are there in India ? Name all the union territory
•Name the largest and smallest state area wise
•CM of Himachal Pradesh
•CM of Punjab
•First president of India
•what is marketing?
•Difference between product and service
•Name any company which work as a political consultant for government

P2
• Tell all the subjects of your graduation
• Tell about the geo-politics of india and china
• Tell about the politics of Bihar
• Who is the head of Rajya Sabha name him?
• Tell about Budget highlights
• Governor of RBI
• Governor of Uttar Pradesh
• capital of meghalaya
• Tell 5 things that you want to change in your City
• What is management
• Since you have prepared for CAT ,tell me how it has helped you to grow for management
• Why effective communication is necessary for management

Transcript 10

Panel: 1M, 1F

M: TMAY
A: Answered

M: You follow cricket, any recent domestic cricketers who took retirement?
A. Manoj Tiwari

M: Any other?
A: Can't recall but Tiwari was in news recently

M: You follow finance so what is P/E ratio?
A: Answered
M: Difference between fixed cost and variable cost
A: Answered
Bit of cross questioning on whether energy will be fixed or variable cost

M: 5 stocks doing very well in markets
A: Spoke about a couple of stocks from my portfolio
M: Give mainstream names
A: Spoke how PSUs are doing well, sectoral rotation so TCS HCLTech have made a comeback in the last few months while HDFC bank has not been performing
Also spoke how a penny stock like suzlon did well and why

M: What did you learn in Essentials of Management in college
A: Answered

M: Difference between republic day and independence day. When did republic day be celebrated first
A: Answered

M: First governor of India
A: Didn't know

M: First president of India
A: Answered

M: ISRO Head
A: Remember older one not new

On to the female panelist

F: You like playing badminton what are the skills or takeaways from playing the sport

A: Perseverance, how I'm a slow starter but bounce back

Strategising, understanding who plays toss better, better at the net and adapting your game accordingly

F: Importance of effective communication in an organisation
A: Answered, spoke about top down, down up and flat communication channels and importance of communication in each

F: How would you resolve a conflict in a team
A: General or any specific case
F: General but you could use a personal example
A: Prepared answered on MTTN conflict
Allow everyone's ideas to be presented in a forum free of fear and panic
Not take any decision in haste
Take accountability

F: Smiles, now i can see why you have won best speaker in and debates and public speaking
A: Smile back

F: Governor of Maharashtra
A: didn't know
F: Highest Civilian award of India
A: Answered
F: We are done thank you can leave
A: Have a nice day

Transcript 11

Two panelists : both M in their late 40s

I entered the meeting room and the first interviewer P1 started to question me immediately.

P1 - you are working right?

Me - I said yes and that I'm still working (laughed a bit)

P1 - you didn't take off today?

Me - no sir , didn't take a leave. It's lunch time so the timing worked out well.

P1 - okay tell me about your work?

Me - explained the two years of work experience

P1 - any challenge you faced at work related to people or something ?

Me - told about the challenge of being from a non technical branch and then joining a technical role

P1 - why did you switch your branch then ?

Me - told

P1 - why are you changing now then ?

Me - told the reason and my internships in tech in undergrad

P1 - are you facing burnout from you job ?

Me - explained why not and why i want to pursue mba

P1 - are you interested in software development ?

Me - I said that I'm not interested really into software development and my interest area lies in data science domain actually

P1- have you worked on this side then ?

Me- explained about my internship in data science but mentioned that my job at present is more about frontend and backend dev

P1 - okay tell me some pointers about the interim budget

Me - told 5-6 points

P1 - is there any latest news on the banking side ?

Me - told about the ongoing paytm issue

P1 - what other services paytm offers?

Me - told about flight, hotel bookings etc

P1 - is there wallet service also?

Me - told about the transit wallet and how it will be affected and some extra information about the collaboration with bank for smooth functioning

P1 looked satisfied . Now P2 started to question

P2 - you're from biotechnology branch, but you left your branch so you'll not be expecting technical questions

Me - explained that I liked my branch and didn't leave it and that I was more inclined towards coding that's it and I'm open to latest advancements in the field.

P2 - tell me some prominent biotech startups in India ?

Me - told about Bharat biotech, serum institute and it's contribution during covid time

P2 - you're forgetting the biggest startup

Me - told I'm not sure can't remember

P2 - okay do you know about bbc ?

Me - told that it's a news channel

P2 - yes it is what is it's full form

Me - replied that I had no idea

P2 - okay there's a biotech related bbc also do you know about it ?

Me - accepted that I do not know this

P2 - what else is going on in the field ?

Me - told about the latest advancements in cart-t therapy to cure cancer

P2 - what is your favourite subject in undergrad ?

Me - mentioned bioinformatics and it's relation to coding and algorithms

P2 - okay what is your opinion about women demanding 33% reservation in parliament

Me - told that I support it for a certain period of time and women are underrepresented at this time

P2 - is 33% justified

Me - explained that it is and gave gender ratio divide number and said that 1/3 is not a very ambitious number if we look at the population gender divide

P2 - what do you think about private banks coming to India ?

Me - explained that India has lot of potential and private banks can sustain the competition if they have good marketing strategy

P2 - banks nowadays merge , what do you think about this ?

Me - supported this by giving hdfc example and explained

P2 - I see your Olympiad's certificate , but about other college events

Me - told about other events I participated in

P2 - any other hobby?

Me - told about my dance events and prizes

P2 - that's it from our side , have a good day

Final thoughts - the interviewers were very sweet and chill. They asked me a lot of questions related to banking industry because of my work ex in a bank. No TMAY. So I tried to explain my background in my initials work ex answers. Looks long , but all the conversation was done within 15 mins

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Transcript 12

Bcom hons fresher
P1 -

Tell me something which is not in form ?

Are you good in maths (told that not that good but I can try)

Do you Read newspaper ?

Which newspaper?(ET)

Trade agreement of UAE and india ?
(Told about iit opening in uae)

How will it impact economy (told)

Suppose you are a manager and there is conflict between x,y,z Then what will you do ?(told)

If you know that x is right according to your Personal experience and y is right according to professional opinion then which one will you choose(told y)

Why Will you not choose your personal opinion

You have highest marks in eco in 12th

What is difference between monopolistic competition and oligopoly ? (Told)

What do you mean by selling differentiated products in oligopoly (told)

Example of both (told)

Opportunity cost (told)

What is your opportunity cost for cap interview (told)

P2-
States of all the cap colleges (told)

State in which shillong is located (unaware , then he smiled)

Why mba as fresher (looked satisfied in beginning but at the last part he wasn't satisfied)

You will be unable to connect the concepts taught in class with real world , how will you deal with it ?(told)

Number of planets in universe (said 9 instead of 8)

There name in sequence (here said about 8)

How much biggest is jupiter as compared to earth (Don't know exactly)

Is saturn bigger than earth (told)

Which is larger among saturn earth and jupiter in chronological order (told)

Overall chilled panelist

Transcript 13

95/95/76 (B com hons), 6 months work ex, CAT-97, General Female

1. Tell me something about yourself, which is not on resume
(Mentioned Equity markets- finlatics program, VP-PR , active member of public speaking club, adventure enthusiast, trekking)
2. P/E ratio, EPS
3. Recommend 10 stocks: I mentioned as govt investing in the renewable sector- interrupted and questioned
4. Hindenburg report (I had other stocks to mention as well, couldn't do that)
5. Something you don't like about EY- where I worked(I said nothing, learnt a lot there)
6. Easy probability ques- two die thrown (answered)

P-2 40 yrs + Female
1. Role in company
2. How you handled so much data, what's something you always made sure of, WCGW (mentioned insider trading with example)
3. Too many Current affairs questions- President of UK, Country with max gdp, gdp of India, security council, member nations of UN security council
4. Gdp at factor cost vs nominal, when did you study it
5. What do you do in free time- mentioned research about various treks
6. Last trek I did (answered- kedarkantha and the details of it)
7. Something about Sri lanka, I thought she wants to know about the recent Maldives news. She said your coaching ppl might have told you the recent news, I'm asking about the last year news of Sri lanka.
8. Why do you want to do an MBA? Cross questioning- do you think it's a ticket to become a leader
9. You're from Meerut, what is it famous for?