## **Transforming lives**

NILESH KULKARNI



Attending the workshop are Minocher Patel, Principal Dr Vidya Deodhar, Vice Principal Dr Hemant Devasthali and Dr Girija Shankar along with the students

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capemic excellence is not the only thing that keeps budding professionals about to step into the corporate world buoyant. The importance of approaching the work-life balance holistically is as important as achieving academic excellence. The Ness Wadia College of Commerce, Pune, strived to accomplish the same last week, when it imparted a week-long finishing programme to its BBA and BBM students in alliance with Ecole Solitaire, the country's first residential

finishing school, headed by its dynamic founder-director, Minocher Patel.

Minocher Patel, one of the most vibrant motivational gurus in the country, personally conducted the session in his inimitable and arresting style, inspiring a packed hall of aspirants on an array of topics, bearing upon such vital areas as communication skills, etiquette and social skills. Lynn Thomas, a participant at the workshop says, "This workshop moulded and transformed me into a completely new person — a better human being." Another participant, Varun Patodia, feels, "This was one

of the most amazing experiences of my life. It was a lot of fun which helped us grasp things better. I feel more motivated and charged up."

This success of this event is another feather in the cap for Wadia college, which has always strived to mould the overall personalities of its students and bring out the best in them. The forward looking principal of the college, Vidya Deodhar, believes in making her students globally competitive in different fields besides academics. She has been instrumental in organising such programmes regularly in the college.

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