



## **TALK with TEJA Sir**

**Time: 4:00 PM**

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2020**

**Day: Monday**

**Kartavya -The Civil Services Society of Kirori Mal College** organized an interactive session with **Mr. Muthineni Sai Teja, AIR 52 IFoS 2019 and AIR 344 CSE 2019**. The session commenced with Mr. Sai Teja giving his brief introduction. He was born and brought up in Warangal, Telangana and after securing AIR 45 in IIT JEE 2014 completed his graduation from IIT Bombay in computer science in 2018. He interned at a couple of places during his graduation and realized that he wasn't really fascinated to that field. Then he prepared for CAT and achieved 99.9 percentile in CAT 2018. He faced the dilemma to choose between MBA and Civil services but he brainstormed himself for civil services examination and launched into its preparation.

He started his preparation just three months before the prelims and hence due to paucity of time could not make into his first attempt. This failure could not cease his utmost aspiration for civil services and he kicked off his preparation again, brimming with determination and willpower.

Following his introduction he asked the aspirants to come up with their queries regarding preparation. Furthermore he notified the aspirants about his mistake that he started answer writing exercise after prelims only which he should have done before prelims.

Second question was concerning his interview experience to which he responded that the interview for IFoS is more technically oriented than in CSE. His board was headed by Mr. R N Choubey who was extremely cordial. His mother is a teacher so most of the questions asked to him were related to education and suggestions to improve Indian testing system in higher education. Subsequently he recommended us to be confident enough to say "NO" and disagree wherever necessary but not to bluff our way out. Being an engineer he was interrogated about the utilization of his graduation knowledge in civil services. He was asked diverse questions on international relations such as relation between

European Union and child labour . Moreover he was asked about bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh and condition of Jammu and Kashmir to which he gave a critical analysis.

Time management has a very pivotal role in CSE exam so students were keen to know his strategy for time management.

He spoke in length on a range of concerns and issues faced by students. He specifically focused on a question which was related to saturation or drain point while preparing for competitive exams over a long period of time. He gave genuine and doable strategies like, having a fix schedule, having proper break time and rewarding yourself for completing a task properly.

The speaker also shared some specific strategy regarding subjects like, geography and economics and how one can do his/her best in the subject and give there best shot.

One thing that he constantly stressed on was having a fix schedule and to maintain that schedule to achieve success in the examination. The importance of test series, revision and note making was something that was reiterated time and again by him.

He was light hearted and with a smile answered all our queries very politely and with great depth. It was privilege listening to him and getting our problems regarding the examination sorted.

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\* CAT 2018: 99.99  
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\* IFOS 2019: AIR-52

\* IITJEE 2014: AIR 44