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## Professor from GLIM conducted retreat program for the Budget 2016

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In pic: Prof Palhan with officials from the Ministry of Finance, Government of India

Professor from Great Lakes Institute of Management Conducted Retreat Program for the Budget 2016 team consisting of senior officials of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India

14<sup>th</sup>March, Gurgaon: Prof. S. K. Palhan, Professor – Operations Management, Great Lakes Institute of Management conducted a one day retreat program for the Senior officers of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India prior to the budget announcement. Mr. Ratan P. Watal- Finance Secretary, Ministry of

Finance, Government of India and Mr. Harsh Kumar – Director, NIFM also took part in the program.

The two day retreat was organised by Institute of Financial Management (NIFM) at their Faridabad campus before the budget session. *Prof. S. K.Palhan, Professor – Operations Management, Great Lakes Institute of Management was invited by the NIFM to conduct a one day retreat program for creativity, team building and joy for 45 officers including Deputy Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Financial Advisors, and Additional Secretary.* 

"The budget team comprises of finance minister and secretaries in charge of revenue, expenditure and economic affairs. They all work hard as a team for preparation of annual union budget. Each one of these officials has the arduous responsibility of not only ensuring confidentiality but also accuracy and consistency in the budget projections. It is to relieve them from strains of herculean task and relax their minds that a retreat program was designed for the budget team", expressed, Prof.Palhan, Professor, Operations Management, Great Lakes Institute of Management.

The activities included team formation, strategy game of plank race, tower building, Frisbee relay race and victory dance. The program was highly appreciated by all the participants as it brought them together as a team in a relaxed manner to tackle the task of the preparation of the National Budget 2016-17.

Prof. Palhan is a widely acknowledged Self Effectiveness trainer and also a leading expert in the field of Operations Management. Prof Palhan has conducted more than 250 programmes on Self Effectiveness & Team Building in large number of software companies, banks, leading management institutes,

scientists of national labs and judges of Delhi courts. He is also an Advisor to Centre for Joint Warfare Studies in Ministry of Defence and Managing Trustee of Pathfinder Trust.

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