Career Development

Only landing a job of your choice does not mean that you have achieved your goal, real test begins after that. Following are things to be kept in mind for making progress.

**Be Prepared** – Opportunity does not see if we are prepared or not so when an opportunity knocks at the door be ready to capitalize on that, don’t let your inhibition be hindrance in your success.

**Hard Work** – There is no short cut to success, and hard work always pays off so be sure to put in the required efforts for attaining required results.

“The harder I practice, the luckier I get.” (Gary Player)

**Interest** – Choose a career that is closer to your likeliness in that way boredom will never get in your way to success.

“The only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven’t found it yet, keep looking. Don’t settle.” (Steve Jobs)

“Find out what you like doing best, and get someone to pay you for it.” (Katharine Whitehorn)

**Autonomy** – Although we all complain that we have little or less power to change environment around us to take required decision or to be successful; for that keep following quote in mind

“The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don’t have any.” (Alice Walker)

**Never Give Up** – Failures are part of life so if you face failure once don’t lose heart because every failure teaches us something.

“It is never too late to be what you might have been.” (George Eliot)

**Aim High** – Mediocrity is a crime so aim high and be the best in your field. Once aim is set strive hard to achieve goals. Dreaming is also form of planning.

“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.” (Eleanor Roosevelt)

**Never Doubt your Abilities** – Once you have been given an opportunity go for it, you can always figure out how to achieve target, come upto expectation or achieve results. Never shy away or doubt your abilities by thinking that you cannot do it.

“A mind troubled by doubt cannot focus on the course to victory.” (Arthur Golden)

**Motivation** – Instead of looking out for motivation see within, you are capable of achieving all that you want. Looking upto people and expecting them to make you happy or successful is like giving sails of your ship to others.

“I was always looking outside myself for strength and confidence, but it comes from within. It is there all the time.” (Anna Freud)

**Support Yourself** – Once in a while appreciate the effort you have made in achieving your goals, it gives confidence in going ahead with enthusiasm.

“Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.” (William James)

**Take Criticism Positively** – People will always criticize your efforts, it’s hard to please everyone, and criticism can also be taken as an inspiration to move ahead. So respond to criticism by learning from it and further refining your output.

“There is only one way to avoid criticism: Do nothing, say nothing, and be nothing.“. (Aristotle)
Never Miss a Learning Opportunity – All rewards in career are not of monetary nature so during career if you get an opportunity to learn - opt for it and let it be a step closer to your success.

“If you’re offered a seat on a rocket ship, don’t ask what seat! Just get on.” (Sheryl Sandberg)

Don’t be Afraid of Failures – Never let fear of failure be a hindrance in your success. Failing once gives you another chance to do a job with further refinement. So keep on trying till you are successful in task.

“A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.” (Albert Einstein)

“Too many of us are not living our dreams because we are living our fears.” (Les Brown)

Celebrate Success of Your Peers – Don’t be jealous of peers and team member’s success learn from their experiences and improve yourself.

“When the grass looks greener on the other side of the fence, it may be that they take better care of it there.” (Cecil Selig)

Take Initiative – Only first step towards initiatives is difficult once you start delivering results people will also come to support you to turn initiative into success. It is the initiative that makes you stand apart from crowd.

“The most difficult thing is the decision to act, the rest is merely tenacity.” (Amelia Earhart)

Control yourself – Control your emotions, efforts and attitude to attain bigger goals.

“Life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it.” (Charles Swindoll)

Decide Wisely – Be apt in taking your decisions so that you can never let an opportunity slip from your hand, but also choose wisely and make thoughtful decisions.

“I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions.” (Stephen Covey)

Be a Risk Taker – Have courage to take risks because it increases your prospects to success, we all have heard that high risks lead to high gains.

“Risk something or forever sit with your dreams” (Herb Brooks)