Why I Quit Corporate Job?



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I completed my engineering in June 2019 and joined an IT company in September 2019. In this article I will try to share my opinions on the IT sector after two years of experience. Being a Mechanical Engineer, I had very little exposure to programming languages and other IT skills. I was trained by the company in a few IT skills. The training was good and after that, I started working on actual projects. In the beginning, things look quite stable and you peacefully learn new technologies and grasp new concepts.

Student life and corporate life are very different and one needs to be very careful before committing to a task while working in a corporation. Most of the time you are given tasks that need a lot of research and prior hands-on experience. With short deadlines it becomes even more difficult to complete the tasks. In this process, I learned a lot of new technologies while in Infosys and applied this knowledge in actual projects. But this also has a negative side, there's so much work that you end up working on weekends and holidays. Also, not everyone's work is appreciated and you constantly try to get recognition in order to climb up the corporate ladder. Keeping your boss happy becomes the sole aim of your existence and at this point I realized that I need a career change.

From my personal experience, I would recommend that one must have a clear idea of the field before entering the IT sector. Most of the times people are attracted towards good salaries and forget what they are signing up for. You start earning at an early age, good, but at the same time you close a lot of other career and higher education opportunities. People must realize that there are many more things in life other than the IT sector.

There are many positive things you get to learn while working in the IT sector, you earn a decent salary and most of the time your parents are happy and want you to continue working there. But do ask these questions to yourself - Are these things worth your time, health and mental wellbeing? Have you explored opportunities outside the IT sector? Are you ready to work in an environment where everyone is trying to surpass you?