## Goals

Many of us might have seen street dogs sitting aside the road and suddenly racing with the cars passing by. We always wonder why they do these.

Let's see it through the eyes of a management professional, like this....

A gentleman was standing on the road, waiting for the traffic to pass. Another gentleman was standing next to him. A street dog was sitting on the side of the road and suddenly it started racing or following each and every car passing by. He was barking and running to overtake the cars. The first man was watching the dog curiously and with keen observation. The second man asked him "do you think that this dog will ever be able to catch the cars? He laughed...

The first man still was observing and thinking. After few seconds he replied "Well, that is not bothering me, I am just thinking that if he catches one then what?"

Now let's take a look on another incident ....

A man, travelling in his car on road, asked an old man standing on the road joint from where road was splitting into two different roads, 'Sir! Could you please tell me, where these roads lead to?'

Old man replied with smile, 'Gentleman! May I know where you are going?'

The man think for a while, he never expected such counter question and casually nodded his head and replied, 'well sir, I really don't know where I want to go but just thought of checking with you.'

The old man smiled again and start walking, saying "Well Gentleman! You can take any of them as it doesn't make any difference to you, when you don't know where you want to go."

Many people in this world keep on trying to catch up or race up with meaningless goals, they madly run after those goals but what happens, if ever they achieve any of them?

One must have <u>SMART</u> Goals in life: <u>Specific</u>, <u>Measurable</u>, <u>A</u>chievable, <u>Realistic</u>, and <u>Time</u> -bound.

Goals give us the sense of direction; one must focus and hold the goals. If you have moving goals, the result can't be achieved. It is as good as burning a paper piece thru sun rays with a moving magnifying glass without focusing. One must concentrate, focus and hold on a point to burn. One must not go through a life without having any goals.