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An Idea whose time has come...

THE YOUNG
INDIA
FELLOWSHIP





THE VISION

To develop unique and high potential change agents of India through a multi-disciplinary programme guided by eminent leaders and scholars of our time.

Launch...



Grow...



Achieve...



Build...



Succeed...



Y O U N G I N D I A F E L L O W S H I P

Why YIF?

The Young India Fellowship is a one-year, fully funded, multi-disciplinary course, for exceptionally gifted young men and women from around the country and across the breadth of academic disciplines. The Young India Fellowship grooms young people to become change agents for tomorrow by instilling in them the skills and knowledge needed for such vocations. It exposes them to a rich and diverse set of subjects and perspectives, delivered by some of the highest-calibre teachers from around the world.

Fellows are mentored by some of the greatest minds in their respective fields, from household names who are respected captains of industry, to heads of development organisations. To complement the role modeling, they undertake a unique work experience programme, in the form of the Experiential Learning Module, or ELM. This creates an opportunity for the Fellows to get some real experience in the domain of their interest.

Whether students graduated in arts, science, engineering or commerce, the Fellowship's commitment is to provide momentum to these future leaders on their journey of self-actualisation.





Inspiring faculty

Fellows deliberate with a number of the most reputed faculty members, drawn from the best universities and institutions around the globe, known for their outstanding teaching and research.

Exceptional mentors

Mentors from diverse backgrounds and experiences are our role models. From corporate leaders to social activists, from researchers to entrepreneurs, the YIF Council of Mentors help guide Fellows through what they should do next in life and how.

Unparalleled network

Through their interactions with well-connected faculty, speakers and mentors, Fellows have access to an unrivalled network of people from which to draw business and academic opportunities.

Fully funded

Fellows receive a full scholarship of Rs 8 lakhs to cover the entire fee, boarding and lodging when they enter the full-time residential programme. Our experienced placement counsellors support and guide participants in securing a career or higher-study opportunity in their area of choice once they complete the programme.

Multi-disciplinary curriculum

The broad and deep curriculum ranges from economics and statistics to anthropology and ethics, life sciences to climate change, entrepreneurship to art-appreciation.

Holistic learning

Fellows are coached in life skills and developing as a "whole person" through a portfolio of engaging leadership courses. They sharpen their skills in writing and communication, tackle numerical analysis, critical thinking and problem-solving, all while being trained in business and entrepreneurship.

CURRICULUM & PEDAGOGY

Learn to learn

The Young India Fellow is distinctive for his or her exceptional performance in an area of expertise, but that is not enough. They must also complement outstanding achievements with a curiosity and competence in other areas that leaves the average “high-performer” behind by miles!

Accordingly, through its faculty, teaching systems and design, the YIF programme offers a combination of a wide-ranging exposure to diversity, practical experience and exposure to practitioners.

Pedagogy

The programme is delivered by a mix of:

- Classroom lectures by leading faculty from India and outside. Each lecture requires significant amount of pre and post-session readings, research and assignments.
- A series of workshops by professional experts to develop writing, communication, teamwork and leadership skills
- Working on real-life projects in an area of interest under the Experiential Learning Module
- Regular guest speaker sessions and seminars with leaders across different sectors in India and outside
- Communication classes to ensure Fellows become fluent in expressing their thoughts in the clearest way possible





Genesis... Inception...
Alpha... Origin...
Begin... Grow... Stumble...
Get up...

ACADEMIC PARTNERS

The International Foundation for Research and Education (IFRE) and the University of Pennsylvania's School of Engineering and Applied Science, have collaborated in the design and delivery of the Young India Fellowship programme.

Penn Engineering has helped in the design of the Young India Fellowship programme, the development of course reading and case materials, with staffing for various courses from the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences faculty, and also through support in connecting with administration and faculty in other schools at UPenn. They have assisted in selecting other YIF faculty, helped design the admission process and supported in selection of suitable students and are co-signing certificates on completion of the Fellowship. The School of Arts and Sciences at UPenn is also involved in supporting YIF.

IFRE

The International Foundation for Research and Education, or IFRE, is a not-for-profit (Section 25) company established with the vision to set up Ashoka University – India's first world-class university. IFRE is led by a team of like-minded philanthropists with strong academic and professional track records.

IFRE is committed to improving the quality of higher education and research in India and, over the past two years, various academic and non-academic members from across the world have joined the Foundation in order to build an incomparable team of accomplished and committed individuals driven by the motivation to give back to the country.

IFRE is also engaging with various reputed universities and schools in USA and Europe to firm up the scope for collaboration in building the University. The formal collaboration with UPenn's School of Engineering and Applied Science is one such partnership. The Young India Fellowship is the flagship programme of Ashoka University.



UPenn

The University of Pennsylvania makes an ideal academic partner for the Young India Fellowship. "UPenn" or "Penn", which traces its origins back to the year 1740, embodies the vision of its founder, US President, Benjamin Franklin, to create a new type of learning institution. The original programme of study at Penn became America's first modern liberal arts curriculum and for the past two-and-a-half centuries, UPenn has advanced its principles and spirit through entrepreneurship, innovation, invention, outreach and a love of knowledge.

Today, the University of Pennsylvania is a world leader in higher education, ranked fifth among American universities. Its 10,000 undergraduates are drawn from all 50 U.S. states and numerous foreign countries. It has also produced 23 Nobel Laureates.

The School of Engineering and Applied Science (Penn Engineering) is one of the oldest schools of engineering in the US and was established in 1852. Penn Engineering offers a wide range of undergraduate and graduate degrees, and is particularly distinguished by its interdisciplinary, cross-school programmes such as Management and Technology, Digital Media Design, Biotechnology, Nanotechnology, Robotics and the Singh Program in Market and Social Systems Engineering, putting UPenn at the forefront of intellectual and entrepreneurial activity. UPenn Engineering includes approximately 1,600 undergraduates, 1,000 graduate students, four research institutes, and 10 research centres.

The Shape of Things to Come – Ashoka University

From its third year, the YIF programme will expand into its permanent home, the Ashoka University. Its creators, the International Foundation for Research and Education (IFRE), plan for Ashoka to be India's best university, and for it to fast become one of the world's best, cutting edge research-based, multi-disciplinary university.

The project is in an advanced stage of implementation. Initial funding commitments are already in place and the balance is being raised through endowments and debt. Twenty-five acres have been allotted at the upcoming Rajiv Gandhi Education City, in Sonapat, Haryana, one hour's drive from New Delhi city centre on the main National Highway 1. Perkins Eastman, a globally renowned architectural firm, has been commissioned to design and develop a campus of the future and master planning is now under way. Construction is due to start in December 2011 and the campus is scheduled to be operational in July 2013. The application for grant of University status is under evaluation by the Government of Harayana. The University will start with two schools – Arts and Natural Sciences – in collaboration with the University of Pennsylvania and other leading universities and schools of the world.

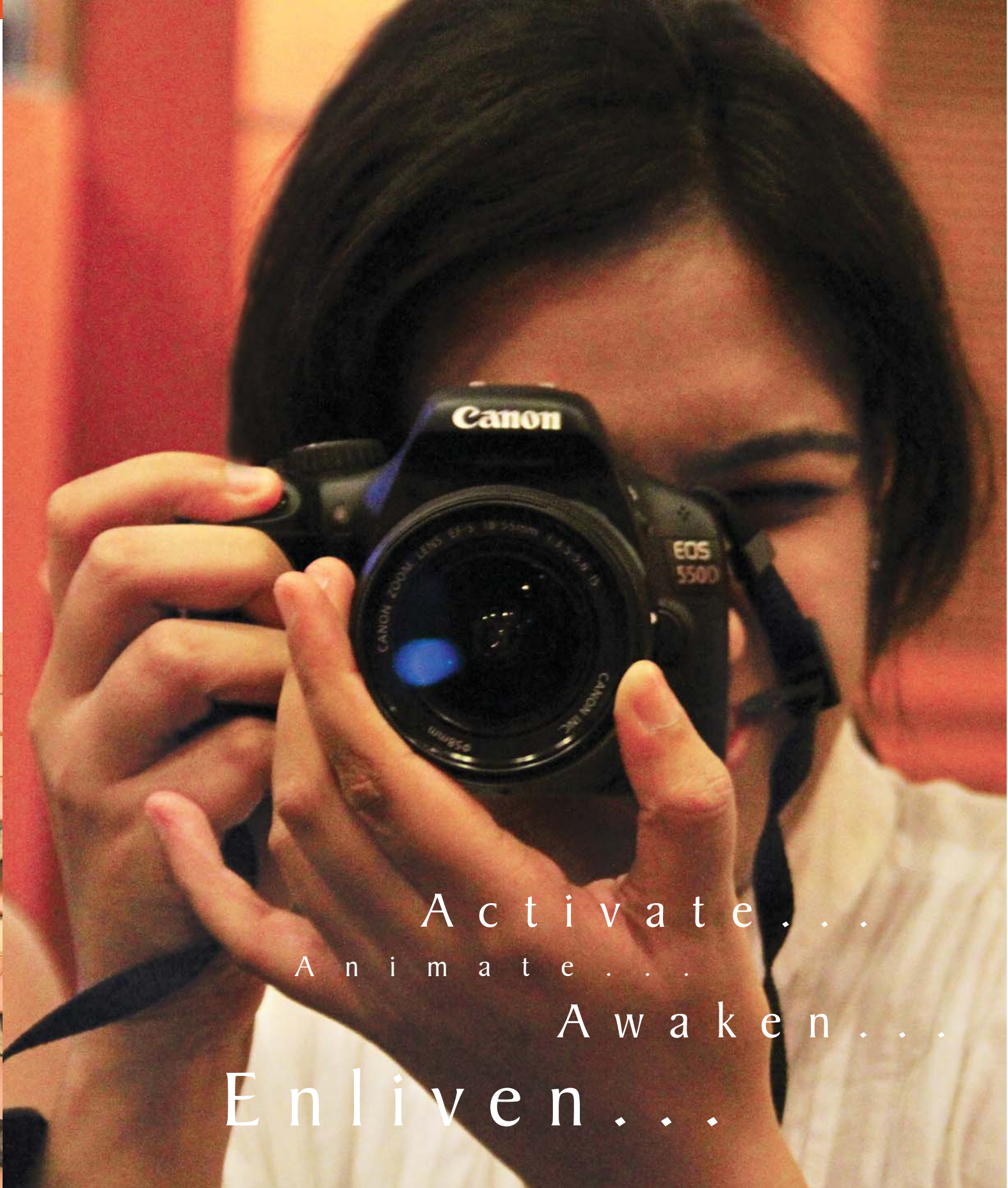
Selection Process and Fellow Profile

YIF scoured the country to hand-pick its premier batch of Fellows. In November 2010 we undertook a 10-city online and print campaign in national dailies. Around 45 presentations were made in various leading colleges across Tier 1 and 2 cities. From this outstanding field, we chose 58 Fellows to join the inaugural programme.

Our first cohort of Fellows hails from 20 states of India, from Tamil Nadu to Jammu and Kashmir, Gujarat to Assam. It includes

engineers, researchers, fashion designers, film-makers, artists, doctors, lawyers, psychologists, writers and humanities graduates. Fellows are graduates from some of India's most reputed institutions – IITs, BITS, NIFT, NID, LSR, Miranda, JMC, NALSAR, ILS, St. Xavier's and Symbiosis. Some of the Fellows also bring on board professional work experience representing industries as varied as FMCG, advertising, finance, real estate and construction, the media, fashion and luxury, non-profit, education and healthcare.





Activate...

Animate...

Awaken...

Enliven...

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B I T S P i l a n i

NID

N I F T

L S R

St Xavier

Symbiosis

C h r i s t C o l l e g e

Ambesh Tiwari, 23, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. BE, Rajiv Gandhi Prodyogiki Vishwavidyalaya. **Awarded** twice by the Governor of Madhya Pradesh for organising and hosting Inquizitive, the state's biggest collegiate quiz.

Antony Arul Valan, 21, Puliyangudi, Tamil Nadu; Chennai. BTech (Agricultural Engineering). Presented review papers at national and international conferences. **Won** first place in the national symposium, "Technodawn '09" at Coimbatore for short documentary film, Going Organic.

Samder Singh Khangarot, 25, Jaipur. BTech, Global Institute of Technology. **Author** of "Things they don't teach at College". **Worked** as HR with M&M group at Mahindra Satyam; eight-month entrepreneurial experience as a Founder of Butterfly Leadership International.

Suvajit Chakraborty, 24, Farakka, West Bengal. BBA, LLB, Symbiosis Law School. **National**

Champion, All India ESPN School Quiz, 2002; **Winner**: Tata Crucible Campus Quiz, 2008, Pune; 3rd runners up amongst 12 cities, National Finals 2008, Mumbai (telecast on CNBC); Economic Times Campus Business Quiz, 2008 and 2010 (first team to win it twice in India); IQ-IMS Quotient Pune Round and West Zone. **Worked** full-time for a year with Times of India Group Internet Limited as Senior Officer launching Gaana.com, a music initiative.

Arpitha Upendra Kodiveri, 23, Mysore, Karnataka. BSL, LLB, CS, Indian Law Society, Pune. Overall global winner of **World Bank Essay Competition 2011**. Winner, Anil Agarwal Fellowship, 2010. "Alien Lands, New Opportunities" paper published by the Sustainable Development Group International. "Emissions Trading: Is free market environmentalism the answer?" **published** in the **American Journal** of Economics and Business Administration, 2009. "Conflict Resolutions" published by the ILS Law Review, 2009. **Worked** as Legal research intern at Kalpavriksh, Pune for two years.

Kshitij Garg, 22, Jaipur. BTech in Materials and Metallurgical Engineering, IIT Kanpur. Core Team Member, Antaragni '10 (Annual Cultural Festival of IIT Kanpur); National Social Entrepreneurship Forum. **Author**

of Change, 2010. **Won** 7 photography competitions at intra-IIT Kanpur.

Jatin Sharma, 22, Jaipur. BTech, Communication & Computer Engineering, LNMIIT. **Written** reports: "WiMAX: Introduction & Possibilities"; "Adaptive Frame Reservation Scheme to Mitigate WiMAX-WiFi Coexistence Problem".

Abhishek Chopra, 22, Delhi. BA LLB, Nalsar. **Worked** with Ram Jethmalani, eminent Supreme Court criminal lawyer; Karanjawala & Co, civil & criminal litigation law firm; NGO - MARG (Multiple Action Research Group) on police investigation.

Gaurav Mohta, 22, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. BTech (Electronics and Telecommunication), Amity University. **Won** the Nokia Siemens Networks' Merit-cum-Means scholarship ('08 - '09). **Worked** full-time at Ericsson India Pvt Ltd as an 'Engineer-Core' for 11 months (May 2010-April 2011).

Alpana Srivastava, 25, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh. BE (Civil), BIT Mesra. **Won** third annual design competition, Civil Engineering Society of college. **Worked**, Department of Materials Management, Jindal Steel and Power Limited, Raigarh.

Itika Gupta, 22, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. BTech, NIT, Hamirpur. **Won** Best Project award at national-level technical competition organised by Government of India, "Challenge Chutney". **Represented** India at 4th Global Student Forum, Bhubneshwar, Society for Promotion of Engineering Education Development (SPEED).

Sharada Vadlamani, 20, Bangalore. BBM, Christ College, Bangalore. **Won** 8 national and international level management fests in the field of marketing, advertising, media management; 2 national-level theatre competitions in college. **Started** her own advertising firm, Adventis Media, dealing with B2B advertising and marketing.

Mohammad Irfan Dar, 25, Srinagar, Kashmir, MA Mass Communication (Film-making Specialisation) Jamia Milia Islamia. **Worked** with M.K.Raina since 2004 as Assistant Director on projects for Socio Television and Indian Peoples Television in Kashmir. Made Nowjawan, documentary on youth, under banner of S.R.Movies for DD Kashmir Channel 2004 and "Eidiyaan", **short film** about forced disappearances in Kashmir.

Chiteisri Devi, 24, Ahmedabad, Gujarat. BSL LLB, Indian Law Society. **Won** "Outstanding Delegate Award" in African Union at the 54th Harvard National

C o m m e r c e

Humanities Engineering

S c i e n c e

F i n e

A r t s

L a w

Film Making

F a s h i o n

Model United Nations Conference, Boston, 2008. **Translated and edited** book "Ganga- the People's Mandate" (originally "Ganga Jan Aadesh") by Magsaysay Awardee, Rajendra Singh. Worked as legal officer at Paryavaran Mitra, JanVikas Trust, Ahmedabad.

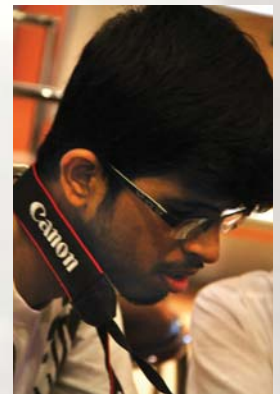
Shashank Shekhar Rai, 21, Karnal, Haryana. BA (Hons) Mathematics, Hansraj College, DU. One of 25 young delegates chosen for colloquium on Indian Liberal Tradition organised by Centre for Civil Society. Paper, "Micro Finance: Policy Initiatives", reviewed by RBI and **published** in the journal of Youth for Policy and Dialogue. Worked as research assistant with Skoch Media and a Research Associate on a Livelihoods Project with Centre for Public Policy Research. Director & co-founder of Youth for Policy and Dialogue, public policy think-tank.

Balaji Asok Kumar, 22, Chennai. B.E. Mechanical Engineering, ANNA University. **Founded** non-profit, "PRI - Pursuers for Reforming India". **Organised** international conference

on UNO's MDGICT. Won first prize, web designing event. Worked as Analyst Programmer (Techno-Functional Consultant) at Ramco Systems, on ERP - Inventory Management and Production Management Modules.

Tanvi Jain, 23. Delhi, BA, Economics (Hons), Lady Shri Ram College, DU. **Awarded** Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Award 2008, in recognition of her academic achievement and leadership potential. **Won** Goldman Sachs Social Entrepreneurship Fund 2009 and received seed funding of \$10,000 to start Parivartan Foundation, a youth-run, non-profit initiative set up to develop sustainable initiatives and empower the rural communities. **Awarded** Gold Standard of the International Award for Young People, in association with the Duke of Edinburgh. Worked as Procurement Sourcing and Real Estate Strategy Analyst, Goldman Sachs.

Raghav Mimani, 22, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh. BE (Hons) Chemical, BITS Pilani. **Awarded** "Green Globe Foundation



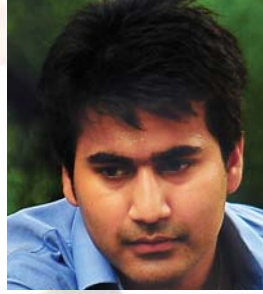
Award" for outstanding contribution by Youth Unite for Voluntary Action (YUVA) by His Excellency, the Prime Minister of Bhutan, Jigme Thinley and Nobel Laureate, Dr. Pachauri, 2010. Won National Knowledge Commission Essay Competition for "Jugaadneeti: Revolutionising the Indian Way of Living", 2009. International Climate Champion, British Council Fellow, Engineers for Social Impact (E4SI).

Dhaneesh Jameson, 27, Kochi, Kerala. Graduate Diploma in Animation Film-making, NID. **Winner** of 2011 Fulbright Scholarship of \$80,000 to pursue his animation film-making studies in the US. Stop-motion animation film, One Fine Friday; **nominated** for Best Animation short film at TBS - DigiCon 6 Awards, Japan (2007); won at Mumbai International Film Festival (2007); Official Selection at PISA, Korea (2007). Mixed media animation film, Wilson Pereira (2010) won Best Student Animated Film Award, IDPA, India; Special Jury mention, IDSFK, India; Best Indian entry at 12th TBS DigiCon 6, Japan; nominated for Best short film, Uppsala, Sweden; best student animation at Animadrid, Spain; best animation (online competition), PISAF, Korea; for best student animation at Tehran International Animation Festival and was Official Selection at Shnit International short film festival, Europe in 2011. Worked as animation reporter for leading Indian animation magazine.

Saurav Neel Patyal, 22, Himachal Pradesh. BE (Hons) Electrical and Electronics Engineering, MSc (Hons) Economics, BITS Pilani. Deferred admission, Masters in Management, London Business School. **Won** India France Quiz – selected as student ambassador from India for sponsored visit to France, 2009, Government of France. StartingBloc Fellow, 2010 – International fellow and scholarship recipient at Boston Institute of Social Innovation, Tufts University, Cambridge, US. Clinton Global Initiative University,

Global Winner of World Bank Essay Competition, Paris; Fulbright Scholarship;

International Delegate at Global Engagement Summit, Chicago;



2010: Awarded full scholarship as an International Fellow to attend Clinton Global Initiative University Summit, University of Miami; International Student Delegate – Global Engagement Summit 2011, Northwestern University, Chicago; International Student Delegate – Education Without Borders Conference 2011, Dubai, UAE. Worked as Modeling and Analytics Intern, HSBC Risk Management. **Co-founder**, Parivartan Foundation for Socio-Economic Development. Business Developer (Nov '07 - Jan '09), Laurus Edutech Skills, India.

Utkarsh Amitabh, 25, Muzaffarpur, Bihar. BE (Mechanical Engineering), Delhi College of Engineering. **Won** Young Visionary Award, India Habitat Centre; Business Plan Competition "Eureka", Ideawicket, 2009 for proposal on carbon management. Member, Indian Debating Union; Centre for the Study of Developing Societies. Supervised translation of book, "Rickshaw Eik Mahagatha" from Hindi to English. Acted in the world's longest-running play, "The Mouse Trap". Closely worked with Arvind Gaur's theatre group, Asmita, and Osho World's Leela Arts. Worked with Deloitte Consulting, Teach For India and Grameen Creative Lab.

Richa Pandey, 22, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. Bachelor of Technology (Electrical Engineering). Awarded special prize in social service for education-based initiative by providing free tutoring to needy children. Won social business plan, Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai for self-started educational "Aksharangana" project. **Worked** on many gender-based violence cases to help victims get justice and acceptance in society. Successfully surveyed four backward districts of Uttar Pradesh to measure impact of micro-finance on women. Worked as freelance consultant for Sanatkada organisation in collaboration with Tata Consultancy Services.

Mrudula NS, 22, Hyderabad. Integrated Bachelors and Masters in Mechanical Engineering, IIT Madras. **Received** Prof. V. Radhakrishnan Endowment Award of IITM for best academic record in Mechanical Engineering during 2006-10; awarded the WISE Scholarship for academic internship in Germany by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), 2010. **Worked** as intern: Institute of Technical Mechanics, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany; Heavy Engineering Division, Larsen & Toubro, Mumbai; Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam.

Sanchet Sharma, 23, Mumbai. Bachelors in Occupational Therapy, Topiwala National Medical College. **Won** 1st prize for best poster presentation at the state level medical students' conference, "Trinity 2011", at Lokmanya Tilak Municipal Medical College & General Hospital, Mumbai; 2nd prize for best poster presentation at 48th Annual National Conference of All India Occupational Therapists' Association - "OTICON 2011" - at Chennai. **Contributed** to Scientific Programme at the National Level Occupational Therapy Conferences by presenting short videos on Therapeutic Smiley Ball, Access and Wheel chair and Autism. **Worked** for a social cause with the Blue Ribbon Movement Social Leaders Program, 2010-11.

Prerak Garg, 22, Jaipur. BTech, Chemical Engineering, IIT Kharagpur. **Recipient** of DAAD's prestigious WISE (Working Internships in Science and Engineering) Scholarship; of MCM Scholarship for consistent academic performance at IIT Kharagpur. Ranked 13th in Regional Mathematics Olympiad. **Worked** as an officer in Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. (IOCL).

Sandhya Iyer, 21, Chennai. BTech, Chemical Engineering, Shastra University; Diploma in creative writing. **Won** inter-college debating competition, awarded best speaker.

Sasidhar Sista, 23, Hyderabad. BE (Hons) Chemical, BITS Pilani. **Designed** and

Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Award ; **WISE Scholarship;** **Best Animation Film, PISAF, Korea;**

Kairos Global Fellow at World Foresight Forum ,Netherlands...

developed first of its kind media monitoring web application for Fisheye Analytics, later acknowledged by international business schools. Researched and developed content analysis system as Research Assistant, INSEAD Business School, Singapore; designed and developed all web applications as Applications Developer, Fisheye Analytics, Singapore.

A.M. Shodhan Babu, 23, Bangalore. BA LLB, Symbiosis Law School, Pune. **Worked** at Holla & Holla, Bangalore; Human Rights Law Network, New Delhi; Just Law Advocates, Bangalore.

Rolly Seth, 24, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. BTech (Electronics & Communication), Amity University. **Published** 'HALCYON' World of Pervasive Computing: From Past Progress to Future Challenges, INFORMATICA. Worked as Scientist Fellow at Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (India's largest R&D organisation). Worked as facilitator for University of California, initiated project, 'MILLEE' (Mobile Immersive Learning for Literacy in Emerging Economies), aimed at complementing the formal schooling system by applying mobile learning technology. Worked in the prestigious Raman Research Institute, Bangalore.

Arunima Anand, 21, Bhagalpur, Bihar. BA (English Hons), Jesus and Mary College, DU. **Awarded** Swapna Deb Memorial Award for academic excellence in undergraduate studies by UGC. Won best B-plan award at IIT, Kharagpur and IIT, Kanpur; best elevator pitch award at IIT, Kanpur in 2009. Worked with I-group as key promoter and designed marketing strategies.

Varun Rustagi, 22, New Delhi. BTech, LNMIIT University. **Interned** with Ericsson India Ltd on the project, "Quality Analysis of KPIs of a cellular network" and developed a database in SQL Language to enquire about the Key Performance Indicators

of the GSM Network at different level of functioning levels; Interned with Arcelor Mittal Steel Industries, Temirtau, Kazakhstan.

Akanksha Shrivastava, 26, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. Bachelor of Design, NIFT, Gandhinagar. **Won** third prize, jewellery design competition organised by Pranda Jewellery in collaboration with leading magazine, The Art of Jewellery. **Semi-finalist** in the international jewellery design competition organised by Thai Gem and Jewellery Traders Association and the Bangkok Gems and Jewellery Fair. **Awarded** "Moment of Fame for Exceptional Design" for launch of Tanishq in the US. Worked as jewellery designer with Tanishq (mass market brand) and Zoya (luxury jewellery brand) by TATA.

Tushar Chugh, 22, Sonapat, Haryana. BTech (Electronics and Communication Engineering), Manav Rachna University, Faridabad. **Spearheaded** project "Wizitank- Unmanned Ground Vehicle".

Ranked 1st in India and represented India among 15 global teams at Imagine Cup, Poland 2010, under Embedded Development theme. Awarded 1st Position in the event "ROBOWARS" during FNORD '09-The Annual Technical Festival of Northern India Engineering College, New Delhi.

Mahesh Jakhotia, 22, Andhra Pradesh. MSc (Hons) in Economics and BE (Electronics & Instrumentation), BITS Pilani. **Selected** for Stanford's Summer Institute of General Management Program 2010; Starting Bloc 2011. **Asian finalist** at the "Global-Social-Venture-Competition" 2010 at ISB, Hyderabad. Worked on personal startup, "Social Stock Exchange", at the Wadhvani Centre for Entrepreneurship. **Developed** framework to rate social enterprises on the basis of holistic parameters under Dr. Krishna Tanuku, Executive Director, WCED, ISB.

Tulasi Prasad Choudhury, 26, Berhampur, Orissa. Bachelor of Fine

Arts (Painting) from Chitrakala Parishat, Bangalore; PG Diploma Program in Design, PGDPD (Industrial Design, Textiles) from NID, Ahmedabad. Assisted artist Arpana Caur with series of murals in Bengaluru Habba. Participated in "Fresco Painting" exhibition of frescoes at Jawahar Kala Kendra and APD, an exhibition of paintings for the Association of Disabled (Bangalore). **Awarded** Dr. V. Paramesvara Scholarship for Painting at Chitrakala Parishat (Bengaluru) and Complete Freeship by Ford Foundation at NID (Industrial Design, Textiles). **Designed** range of silk and woollen scarves in handloom at Shingora International Ltd. (Ludhiana). Documented a textile craft for NID, to record the history, economic scenario of the dying craft "Brahmapuri Patto". Designed and Documented a Collection of contemporary woollen throws (soft furnishings) in Jacquard, for European and the Global Markets.

Delhi Himachal

Assam

Tamil Nadu Orissa

Rajasthan

Adhiraj Sarmah, 23, Assam. BCom (Hons) with specialisation in Marketing Management, St. Xavier's College, Kolkata. **Awarded** Bronze level in the Duke of Edinburgh Award, for young people, and **Distinction** in International Assessment for Indian Schools (English) by the University of New South Wales. Worked at Nestle and Alternate Trade Channels, Kolkata in Marketing & Sales.

Vikramjeet Sharma, 24, Jaipur. BE (Computer Science & Engg) UIET, Punjab University. **Finalist** in international business plan competition, SAID Business School, London. Semi-finalist Lufthansa Case Challenge 2011, European Business School. **Worked** as a Sr. Executive/Consultant IT Security, Ranbaxy Labs, Religare Technologies.

Jairaj Bhattacharya, 22, Hyderabad. BTech (Electronics and Communication) from IIIT, Hyderabad. Team leader for first-ever Indian-Asian team that won the CANSAT Competition

conducted by the American Astronautical Society (AAS), the American Institute for Astronautics and Aeronautics and sponsored by NASA. Won 1st prize in Roboveda (National Level Robotics Festival) 2007 for the best commercially acceptable robot. **Worked** as a Research Engineer in Institute for Sustainable and Applied Info-dynamics (ISAID), NTU, Singapore.

Satya Pavan Kumar, 21, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh. BE from CBIT, Hyderabad. **Co-founder** "I AM" a venture that radically redefines common and malignant notions in society through 30-second videos.

Subhodeep Jash, 23, Kolkata. BBA LLB from Symbiosis Law School, Pune. **Won** Tata Crucible Campus Quiz, 2008 at Pune. Won Economic Times Campus Business Quiz (Pune edition). Worked in Trade Policy Division, Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, New Delhi.

Sayali Phadke, 20, Mumbai, Maharashtra. BA in Statistics and Economics St. Xavier's College, Mumbai. **Kathak Dancer; Volunteer** with learning-disabled children at Khushi, for the betterment of the underprivileged.

Saumya Gupta, 21, Rajasthan. BTech (Chemical Engineering) with Honours and Minors in Applied Statistics and Informatics, IIT, Bombay. **Received** AP grade awarded rarely for exemplary performance in a course on Product Research & Development, IIT Bombay (2010).

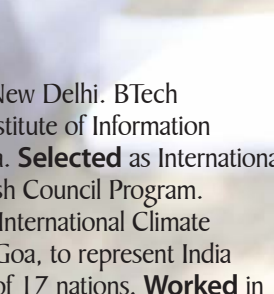
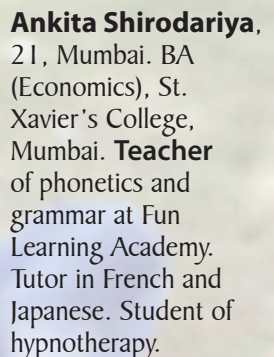
Ambika Ghuge, 21, Delhi. BA Economics (Hons), Miranda House, Delhi University. **Appointed** British Council International Climate Champion 2010 to implement sustainability initiatives on campus. **Awarded** a Certificate of Recognition for the essay titled "Millennium Development Goals and Beyond - The Role of Entrepreneurship" in the "Mera India, Bridge the Gap" contest 2009. **Worked** as founding

member of for-profit integrated hatchery and broiler farm, near Bhawanipatna, district Kalahandi, Orissa.

Ahana Sood, 23, Himachal Pradesh. BCom, Govt. College for Girls, Chandigarh. **Worked** with Red Ribbon Society, against the stigma attached to the HIV victims. **Worked** with Barclays for one year, taking a sabbatical to pursue interests in travel and the culinary arts. Interned under a professional pastry chef for five months.

Anushree Kunhambu, 21, Kerala. BTech Biotechnology, SRM University, Chennai. **Published** a paper in the International Journal of Engineering Science and Technology on, "Studies on the antibacterial activity potential of commonly used food preservatives".

Akanksha Gulia, 22, New Delhi. BTech (Biotechnology), Jaypee Institute of Information Technology, Greater Noida. **Selected** as International Climate Champion, a British Council Program. **Selected** for 3rd Annual International Climate Champions Camp 2011, Goa, to represent India among world Champions of 17 nations. **Worked** in National Network for Entrepreneurs with Disabilities (NNED) and with Delhi Greens for 2 years.



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M a d h y a P r a d e s h G o a U t t a r P r a d e s h



Garima Rana, 22, New Delhi. BTech, GGSIPU, New Delhi. **Awarded** GE Foundation Scholar-Leader. Awarded "Outstanding Commitment Award" by Clinton Global Initiative University. Selected as International Delegate for Global Engagement Summit 2011, Northwestern University, US.



Ankur Tulsian, 22, Kolkata, BTech, IIT Bombay. Recipient of the IIT Bombay Heritage Fund three-year scholarship; overall Outstanding Undergraduate of the Mechanical Engineering class of 2011 at IIT Bombay for excellence in academics as well as extra-curricular activities. Worked at Morgan Stanley as summer intern in Technology section, Investment Banking division.



Prateek Hegde, 22, Kumta, Karnataka. BTech (Ocean engineering from IIT Madras). Built a bicycle robot that could balance a two-wheeler automatically. Part of the **National winning team** of Robocon 2009, a prestigious Asia-Pacific robotic contest and represented India at the international meet in Tokyo later that year.

Sudheer Babu Marisetty, 22, Tadepalligudem, Andhra Pradesh. Msc (Tech) Information Systems, BITS Pilani. **Worked** at Netcustomer Inc, Noida, India Lead, Project Pilani, Business Development. Led a team in conceptualising a community biogas plant after comprehensive market cost-benefit analysis with NEDCAP. President, Students' Union, BITS-Pilani.

Sanjog Sahu, 25, Chilika, Orissa. BA LLB, Symbiosis Law School, Pune. Worked

in Orissa's Eastern Ghats between 2009 and 2010, studying ecological change and its resultant effects on the functioning of isolated communities. **Founding member** of TEDx Bhubaneswar 2011 on the theme, "Living Tomorrow, Today", bringing into focus some of the most pressing environmental and developmental problems Orissa faces today.

Rishabh Kaul, 22, Andhra Pradesh. MSc (Hons) Economics, BE (Hons) Civil Engineering, BITS Pilani. Student **delegate**, 13th World Business Dialogue, University of Cologne, selected from pool of 1500+ international students and professionals. Fully funded by NGO consortium Tcktck & GCCA to attend and report on COP15, Dec'09 at Copenhagen. National Semifinalists, Tata Crucible Campus Quiz, 2009 out of 3000+ teams nationwide.

Shruti Shah, 23, Kolkata. BE (Hons) Civil & MSc (Hons) Chemistry, BITS Pilani. Selected as a Kairos Global Fellow, 2011 to represent India at the World Foresight Forum, Netherlands. **Selected** Semifinalist, Economic Times Power of Ideas, 2010.

Spandana D, 21, Andhra Pradesh. BTech in Computer Science Engineering, G. Narayamma Institute of Technology and Science. **Presented** papers, "Biometric Voting System" and "Humanoid Robots" at the National Level Technical Symposiums at Osmania University and BVR Institute of Technology, Hyderabad.

Srishti Sardana, 21, New Delhi. BSc Psychology (Hons) from Presidency College, Madras; MSc Psychology (Clinical) from Christ University, Bangalore. **Awarded** Best Paper Presentation on "Occupational Mental Health Hazards of Commercial Sex Workers", 2011 at Annual National Conference on "Interface of Psychology and Human Resource Management"

organised by the Department of Psychology, Christ University, Bangalore.

Deepak Bansal, 22, Jaipur. BTech, Electrical Engineering from LNMIIT. Won 1st Prize in "Simplicity" competition organised by LNMIIT in collaboration with University of California. Awarded **Taiwan Scholarship** by the Government of Taiwan for Masters degree. Worked as Research Assistant, National Taiwan University, WMNLab, Taipei.

Pragya Mukherjee, 21, New Delhi. BA (Hons) English from Lady Shri Ram, New Delhi. Selected for a full Scholarship Summer Exchange Programme for a period of 6 weeks to the National University. **Awarded** the Shri Daulatrai M. Desai Prize for Leadership by LSR for the year 2010-2011. Won Short Story Contest held by TTIS, The Telegraph; Creative Writing Competition 2010 of Literati 2010, Inter College Literary Festival of Jesus and Mary College.

APPRECIATION

Fellows share their experiences

Saurav Neel Patyal

I was all set to join the prestigious London Business School when the mail came.

"Congratulations! You have been selected for the Young India Fellowship programme". Since coming to YIF, I have been exposed to things outside my comfort zone from Day Zero. Studying the liberal arts in power-packed intensive courses with assignments, projects and term papers galore, I have never "read and written" so much for any academic curriculum in my life. (No prizes for guessing I am an Indian engineer!) I have been challenged at many points, even in this short period of three months, to go beyond the objective to the subjective, coerced nearly to appreciate the abstract nature of qualitative analysis. I resisted and, in all honesty, I still do. But I can feel the self-constructed high walls of "supposed focus" in my head melting away as I begin to appreciate opinions and ideas beyond the boundaries of knowledge I was acclimatised to. As the days fly by, I wonder where else could I have got the opportunity to analyse "Sachin's Charisma" for a term paper, hypothesise about "The Cultural Imperialism of Bollywood" in a presentation, read about Weber and Durkheim on the same day I read Peter Drucker and heard the CEOs and MDs of PE firms and media houses back to back! Mark Twain said: "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbour. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." I think I just might have taken my first step at "hedging" my disappointments 20 years from now.



Sanchet Sharma

I would like to share my experience about my first art class after a long time. It was my debut performance to paint on a canvas. I felt the artist in me while expressing my emotions on it. I initially thought of following some structure like a design in a triangle or waves, but suddenly a thought came in my mind when I saw the small red paper over the new canvas. I, then, thought of making a structure of a heart on the red paper. For the first time, ever, I was able to cut the design without using scissors...and bingo...it was symmetrical. I was excited to use this template of heart and started brush painting. I kept enjoying it. I was immersed in the joy of painting. At the same time, I was aware of the surroundings in the auditorium. I liked the act of spraying the paint on the canvas, especially the fine dots which signified life for me. These dots were like the granules of salt sprinkled on fresh salad. I felt each dot was communicating with me. This was felt on my nails as if they had jumped from the canvas to my hand. At the same time as the deadline was approaching, the hearts started completing the entire picture. I felt detached while painting, as rightly said by Dr Kiran Seth in a recent class. I was fulfilling the responsibility of completing the task assigned. I was thoroughly engaged in it and finished it before the deadline. I felt a sense of connecting to my inner self. Thank you Nikumb sir (the amir of Taare Zammen Par) for engaging me in a meaningful activity.

Looking forward to more such activities!




Praise for Fellows

It has been a privilege and a pleasure interacting with the Fellows. They are bright, eager and as a pleasing change from the jaded professional student, do not shy away from taking intellectual risks. I know that this is a hand-selected group but if this is the face of the new India then we are in good hands.

Santosh Venkatesh

UPenn





Our writing teacher, **Ms. Arnold**, has been a wonderful guide, helping us to get over the initial blockages we had when we found it difficult to read out our amateurish writings to the class. In Ms. Arnold's presence, ideas and opinions flow unceasingly and oppositions are often raised. Ms. Arnold, who with her expertise and incredible patience, navigated me through the tough seas of diffidence and inexperience, has made a decent writer of me - Thank you! – Antony Valan

Professor Bhandari builds a nearly graphic backdrop by choosing only the very appropriate jargon and terminology. It then becomes very easy for a student to analyse the issue at hand in the background of this clear imagery. This attention to paint a complete picture through words speaks volumes about his vast knowledge of the topic and also about his expertise in delivering a lecture without making it uninteresting or peripheral.

Akanksha Shrivastava

Prof. Andre Beteille, sociologist and writer: In one instance, on being asked a question of some deep thinking, he replied immediately, breaking the question into two as the first part being empirical and the second being an administrative one. This before half of us could even comprehend the question in the first place. Whether it be quoting from the Dharamashastra or being told a certain fact about Hinduism or citing direct conversations of Gandhi and Nehru on democracy, the knowledge which Prof Beteille had was incredible and unparalleled. Each hour of the talk had references from the greatest of the thinkers from Rousseau to Thoreau to Marx to Weber to Voltaire to Ambedkar. You name it and we have either heard it from him or asked to follow up. I am just delighted to be able to share the same space-time continuum with this great thinker. If clarity of knowledge is something, Prof Beteille is crystal! Raghav Mimani





Our faculty come from across the best Indian academic institutions as well as those in the US, the UK, Canada, Australia and Israel. Their alma maters and current institutional homes range from Oxford to Princeton, from Delhi University to ISB, from IITs to IIMs, to universities in Germany, Italy and Latin America. They have worked globally and they come from a diverse set of backgrounds and experiences. They are leading academicians, business leaders, film-makers, journalists, commentators, environmentalists, historians and artists.

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Calicut University; Certified Coach, Coach for Life;
NLP (Neuro Linguistic Programming), Richard Bandler;
MBTI, Hypnosis, Gerald Kein; Enneagram, Enneagram
Institute, US

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Center for International Media, University of Miami
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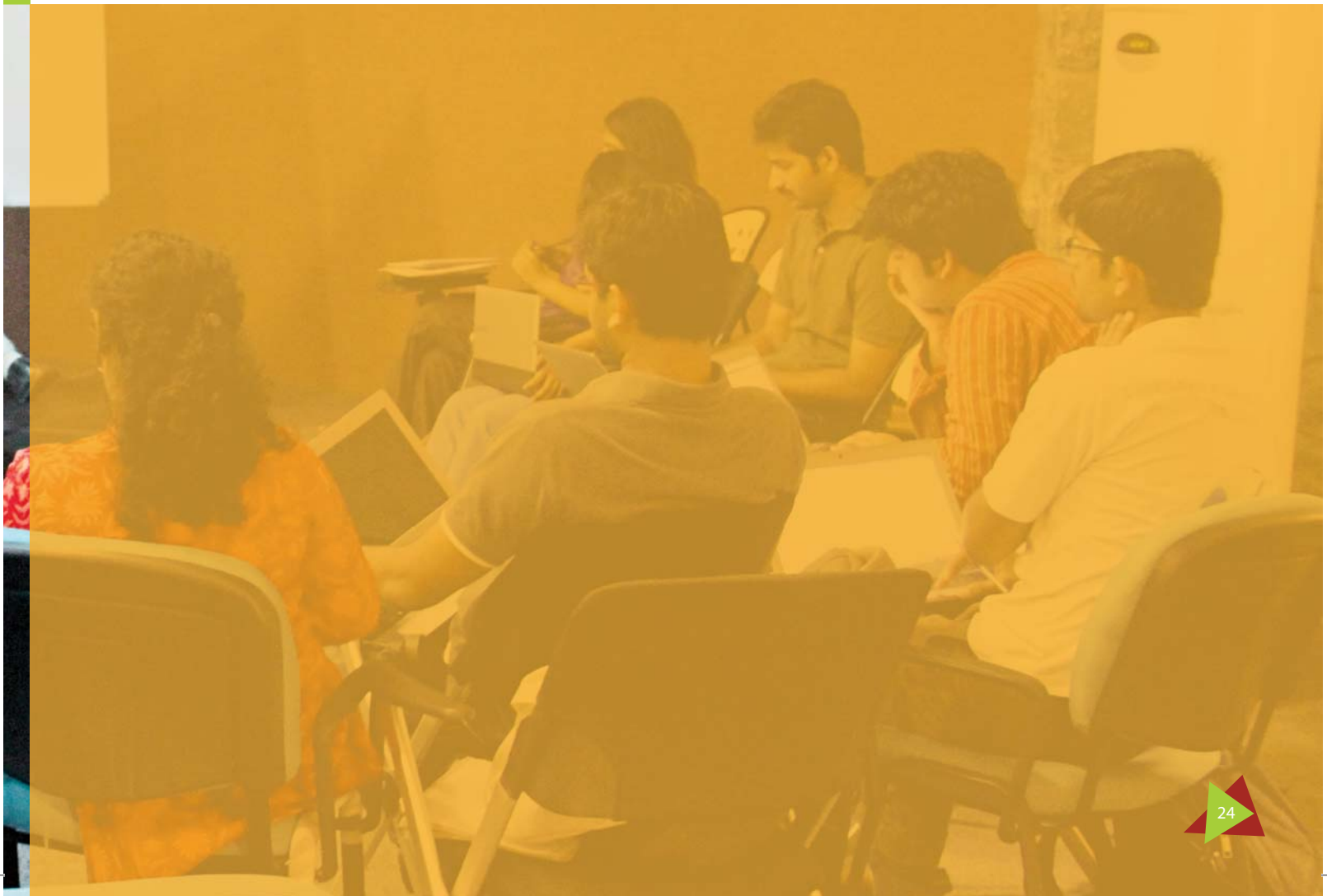
Professor & Vice-Dean for Global Initiatives, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania; BTech IIT Delhi; MBA IIM Ahmedabad; PhD University of Michigan



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Guest Speakers at YIF

From a Polar explorer to the MD of Harley-Davidson India, Fellows have been visited by an enviable array of guest speakers from India and abroad. These outstanding role models have been building the aspirations of the Fellows and inspiring them to reach for the stars.



GUEST SPEAKERS AT YIF

Norman Atkins

Co-Founder & CEO, Teacher U; Founder & Board Chair, Uncommon Schools

VT Bharadwaj

MD, Sequoia Capitals

Pramod Bhasin

Founder & Vice Chairman, Genpact

Ayush Chauhan

Co-founder, Quicksand Design

Tejpreet S. Chopra

Founder, President & CEO, Bharat Light & Power

Shailaja Fennell

Lecturer & Fellow, Jesus College, University of Cambridge

Stephen Fennell

Fellow, Cambridge Central Asia Forum; Faculty, Cambridge University

Arunabha Ghosh

CEO, Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW); BA St. Stephen's College, Delhi; MPhil & DPhil University of Oxford

Jonathan Gil Harris

Professor, George Washington University

Rakesh Jaggi

VP, Schlumberger

Deep Kalra

Founder & CEO, Make My Trip

Sanjana Kapoor

Indian Theatre Personality

Atul Khosla

Partner & India Head, Oliver Wyman

CV Madhukar

Director, PRS Legislative Research

Robert Swan

Robert Swan, OBE, is a pre-eminent polar explorer and an environmental leader. By age 33, he had become the first person to walk to both the North and South poles, earning his place in history alongside history's great explorers and adventurers. His 900-mile journey to the South Pole, stands as the longest unassisted walk ever made. During his expeditions, Swan experienced first-hand the effects of global warming at both poles. These powerful experiences helped to shape and focus Swan's lifetime goal: working towards the preservation of Antarctica as the last great wilderness on earth. He has committed to the mission of inspiring youth to become sustainable leaders and promote the use of renewable energy throughout the planet. Swan's contribution to education and the environment has been recognised on an international scale, seen through his appointment as United Nations Goodwill Ambassador for Youth and Special Envoy to the Director General of UNESCO.

Deep Kalra

The pioneer of online travel booking in India, Deep Kalra founded MakeMyTrip in April, 2000. Drawing on his experience from his years at GE Capital, AMF Bowling Inc. and ABN AMRO Bank, under his stewardship, MakeMyTrip has become the largest online travel company, as well as the largest e-commerce business in India. Deep is a member of the Executive Council of NASSCOM and chairs the NASSCOM Internet Working Group. He currently serves as an independent Director for IndiaMart.com, a leading B2B website. Deep holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics from St. Stephen's College, Delhi (1990), and MBA (PGDM) degree from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (1992).



Vijay Mahajan
Chairman Basix

Arjun Malhotra
Former Chairman, Headstrong

Madhavi Menon
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Washington DC

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Senior Scientist, R & D Division, Abott
Pharmaceutical Corporation US

Anoop Prakash
MD Harley-Davidson India

Leela Prasad
Associate Professor, Duke University

M K Raina
Theatre actor & Director

David Roos
Professor, University of Pennsylvania

Kiran Seth
Founder, Spic Macay; Professor,
India Institute of Technology, Delhi

Uday Shankar
CEO, Star India

Vivek Sharma
MD, Thomas H.Lee Partners

Dilip Simeon
Chairperson, Aman Trust; Former Lecturer,
Ramjas College, Delhi, University

Robert Swan
Officer of the British Empire; Polar Explorer

Tiger Tyagarajan
CEO, Genpact

Rashmi Verma
Associate Professor,
University of Warwick, UK

Jerry Rao

Jerry Rao is the founder and former CEO of the software company MphasiS. Prior to that, he held various leadership positions in Citibank across Asia, Europe, South America and North America. Mr. Rao has also been the Chairman of NASSCOM and was named the Ernst & Young 'Entrepreneurs of the Year' for New York and India in different years.

Mr. Rao is a regular writer and speaker with interest in technology strategy, customer relationship management (CRM), financial services, and e-commerce – a subject on which he has testified before the US Congress. He is a graduate of Loyola College, Chennai and the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad and holds an MBA from University of Chicago.

COURSE CONTENT

Courses

Fellows undertake a total of 26 courses during the one-year programme. Two-thirds of the courses are in perspective-building and the remaining focus on building critical capabilities.

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- Social Perspectives – Caste, Poverty, Individual & the State **Andre Beteille**
 - Foundations of Leadership **Dwight Jaggard**
 - Globalisation, Media and Culture **Radha Hegde**
 - Statistics and its Application in the Modern World **Santosh Venkatesh**
 - Gandhi's Critique of Modernity - 19th/20th Century India **Vivek Bhandari**
 - Historical Perspectives **Rudranshu Mukherjee**
 - Plato's Republic (Philosophy) **Vijay Tankha**
 - Deconstructing Literature **Giti Chandra**
 - Economics **Shiv Kumar**
 - Algorithmic/Analytical Thinking **Sanjeev Khanna**
 - Visual Communication & Storytelling (using photography and video) **Sanjeev Chatterjee**
 - Group Dynamics **Kenwyn Smith**
 - Leadership for the New Economy **Kenwyn Smith**
 - Ethics and Technology **Ken Foster**
 - Anthropology **Mekhla Krishnamurthy**
 - Listening **Lisbeth Lipari**
 - Business Overview **Rishiksha Krishnan**
 - Political Science / IR **Devesh Kapur / Sri Sridharan**
 - Critical Thinking and Writing **Eric Saranovitz**
 - Arts Appreciation – Illustrative & Performing Arts **Anunaya Chaubey**
 - Science & Humanity - **P. L. Dhar**
 - Philosophy of Science - **Dhruv Raina**



OTHER PROGRAMME SUPPORT

Writing Centre

Building effective communication skills is a core mandate of the YIF curriculum. A dedicated Writing Centre has been set up to deliver courses and workshops in writing skills. This provides individualized guidance and accords special attention to Fellows throughout the year.

Leadership Development and Skill Building Workshops

Through the year Fellows participate in leadership and skill building workshops which are delivered by well known leadership trainers and experts in different skill areas like research methods, public speaking, presentations, team building etc.

EVENTS

Fellows take part in a wide range of extra-curricular events and activities as part of the YIF course. Whether it be cultural walks guided by Faculty with impromptu talks by knowledgeable Fellows or visits to homes for the differently abled, camping in the Himalayas or classy dinners with mentors and speakers, there are many activities to help expand Fellows' horizons. Here, the Fellows themselves speak about some of their experiences.

In the Beginning: Camping at Saat-taal, Kumaon

Amidst the lush green environs of a quiet and remote camp-site, fresh mountain air, crisp rays of sunshine and intermittent spells of rain – was where we felt our year-long leadership journey had begun!

The three-day camp in the Kumaon hills was to serve as an ice-breaker for the large and diverse bunch that we were. It proved to be so. In fact the trio – 'hypnobaba', Santhosh Babu; noted theatre personality, Asif Basra and self-taught 'life-junkie', Avik Chatterjee, who were our 'guides' at the camp – promised that at the end of three days we would not only know each other's names but "something more" towards a lasting friendship. We were taught simple things through various exercises and games – to listen, to respond, to communicate, to share stories and the very basics of group dynamics.

Fellows also tried their hand at river-crossing, played cricket and badminton whenever they could find the time in between, discussed birds and the Himalayan ecosystem with Santhosh Babu, a wildlife enthusiast; sang songs around a bustling campfire, saw some of our Fellow-mates get hypnotised (!) and even had an exciting time putting up a theme-based play overnight! We shared our stories and grasped fully that each of us had come to YIF with great expectations to fulfil this journey of self-discovery. - CHITEISRI DEVI

YIFP Inaugural Dinner

The who's who of Delhi gave the IPL Final and the iconic clash of Barcelona and Manchester Utd a miss, and gathered at the home of YIF co-founder, Mr. Ashish Dhawan to welcome the Founding Class of Young India Fellows. Fellows broke into small groups and interacted with the mentors, founders, faculty and staff members of the programme. Interesting conversations and engaging discussions on politics, development economics, sustainability, fashion, finance, films, anthropology and entrepreneurship charged the ambience. - UTKARSH AMITABH

Heritage Walk and More!

Dr. Dwight Jaggard has helped analyse the strengths and weaknesses of all of us individually and took time to suggest improvements. As a gesture of goodwill to him, the YIF team arranged a Heritage Walk to the Humayun's Tomb. With the paragon of wisdom, Dr. Andre Beteille, our professor of Sociology giving insight into the various aspects of the monument and the society at large, a good two hours at the tomb thrust into us the bygone splendour of the Mughal era. Two Fellows, Garima Rana and Mohammed Irfan Dar, took the initiative of taking us around the tomb explaining the fine details of the tomb. The entire team was awestruck when another Fellow, Suvajit Chakroborty, elaborated the various myths and truths behind the tomb.

ANTONY ARUL VALAN

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Fellow's take-away from YIF:

Kshitij Garg

I believe that at YIF, the environment, the courses, the peer group, the mentors, the guides and the world-class faculty, everything will contribute in the perfect manner to bring out the best in me. I see myself as playing a significant role in the future and I hope that YIF would help me accomplish it.

Raghav Mimani

To put it in one line as best said by Guevara, "Let the world change you and then you can change the world." So YIF will me. YIF is an uncharted terrain for me but it comes with a promise. And I believe in it.

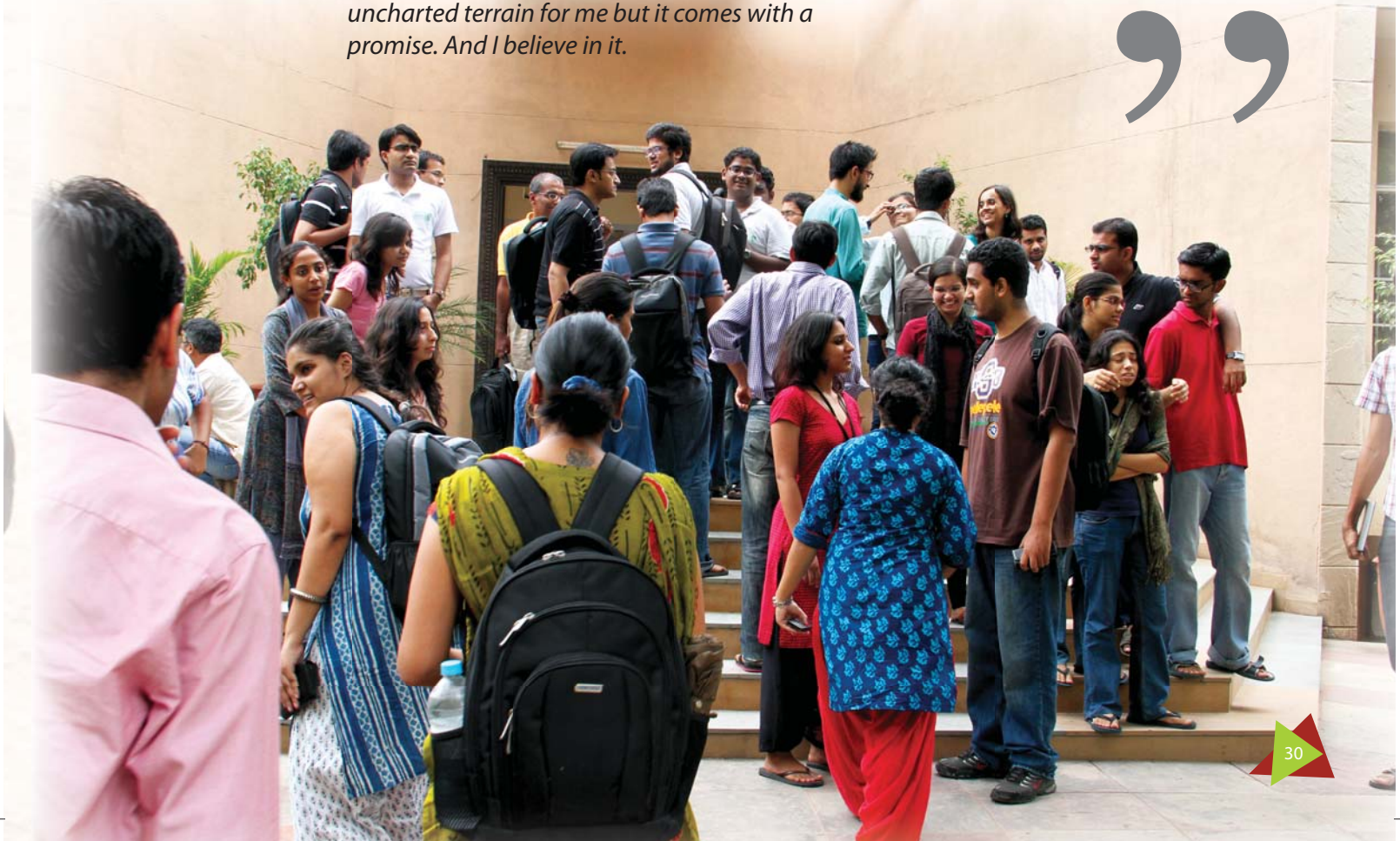
Prerek Garg

I believe in people – you never know with whom you might be sitting one day working on the next big idea. I hope to meet some very inspiring people and work with them as a Young India Fellow.

Mahesh Jakhotia

As guest speaker, Ashish Dhawan from Chrys Capital said, "Great leaders need to be great thinkers", and these multi-disciplinary liberal arts courses will help me build new perspectives and broaden the way I perceive problems or solutions.

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LEARN TO WORK AT YIF

ELM – The Experiential Learning Module

Given that Fellows have limited professional experience prior to joining the programme, YIF has conceived the Experiential Learning Module, or ELM, to complement their academic work with real work experience. The ELM work is supported by a team of coaches who provide essential guidance on structuring business problems, analysis and presentations.

Structure

YIF requires its Fellows to undertake eight month-long engagement with an organization after completing the first two terms of the programme. These projects are derived from different companies, organisations and institutions across various sectors.

The objective of these projects is to:

Develop basic skills of building and working in diverse teams

Apply essential techniques of structuring and problem solving

Gain real life experience by working on live projects with clients

Create new opportunities for professional advancement with the client organisation

Sample ELM Projects

ALCHEMIST

ASHOKA UNIVERSITY

AZB & PARTNERS

BASIX

BHARAT LIGHT & POWER

CAF

COUNCIL FOR ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY
& WATER (CEEW)

CHINTAN-INDIA

GENPACT

HARLEY DAVIDSON

HARVA

JAMBOREE

PARABOLIC PHARMA

PRS LEGISLATURE

SUNBORNE ENERGY

UNBOX

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Some of the projects include

Research and analysis of the new antitrust regime in India (Law)

Conceptualise new innovations and best practices that can be incorporated in different aspects of an upcoming world-class university (Education)

Design an implementation project that can address/ mitigate the climate-change risk through Weather-Based Insurance and Micro-Insurance products for weather-risk prone regions in India (Development)

Design and test a composite measure of sustainable growth (Development)

Develop a watchdog network system to monitor and document the nation-wide implementation of the plastic waste (Environment)

Assist a leading author and historian to write a book on European Travellers to India during the Mughal period (Anthropology, Research & Writing)

Recommend the most impactful brand extensions and/or partnerships that the world's leading motorcycle company should consider to reach its core and outreach market segments in India (Marketing)

Set up new bio-gas to electricity plants (Development)

Supply chain optimization for a leading pharma company (Pharma)
Funding, sourcing strategies for an upcoming solar energy company (Renewable Energy)

Documentary film for an upcoming university (Films)

Strategy for making a fast food chain gain the no. 1 spot in the industry (Food)

Product roadmap for leveraging the increasing consumption of information on hand-held devices by India's largest community of technology enthusiasts (Media and Technology)

Work with a Member of Parliament for conceptualizing and implementing new ideas of sustainable growth in the villages of his constituency (Development)

Work with a faculty at an Ivy League university to build a haptic device that can help the blind in navigation (Technology)

MENTORS

Mentors

The Young India Fellows have the unique privilege of being mentored by eminent leaders, academicians and practitioners from India and abroad. These mentors come from diverse sectors and are committed to counselling the Fellows on their professional aspirations and helping them carve out a career path of their choice. The YIF Council of Mentors includes:

Sanjeev Aga

MD, Idea Cellular Limited; BS St. Stephen's College, Delhi; MBA Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata

Ajay Bahl

Founding Partner, AZB & Partners; BCom(Hons), University of Delhi; LLB, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi; Chartered Accountant, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

Pramod Bhasin

Founder & Vice Chairman, Genpact; BCom Delhi University; Chartered Accountant (CA), Thomson McLintock & Co., London

Amit Chandra

MD, Bain Capital Advisors; BTech VJTI, Mumbai; MBA Boston College

Keki Dadiseth

Chairman, Sony India; Former Chairman, Hindustan Unilever; BCom Sydenham College, Mumbai; CA London

Robert Greenhill

MD & Chief Business Officer at World Economic Forum; BA University of Alberta, Canada; MA London School of Economics; MBA INSEAD

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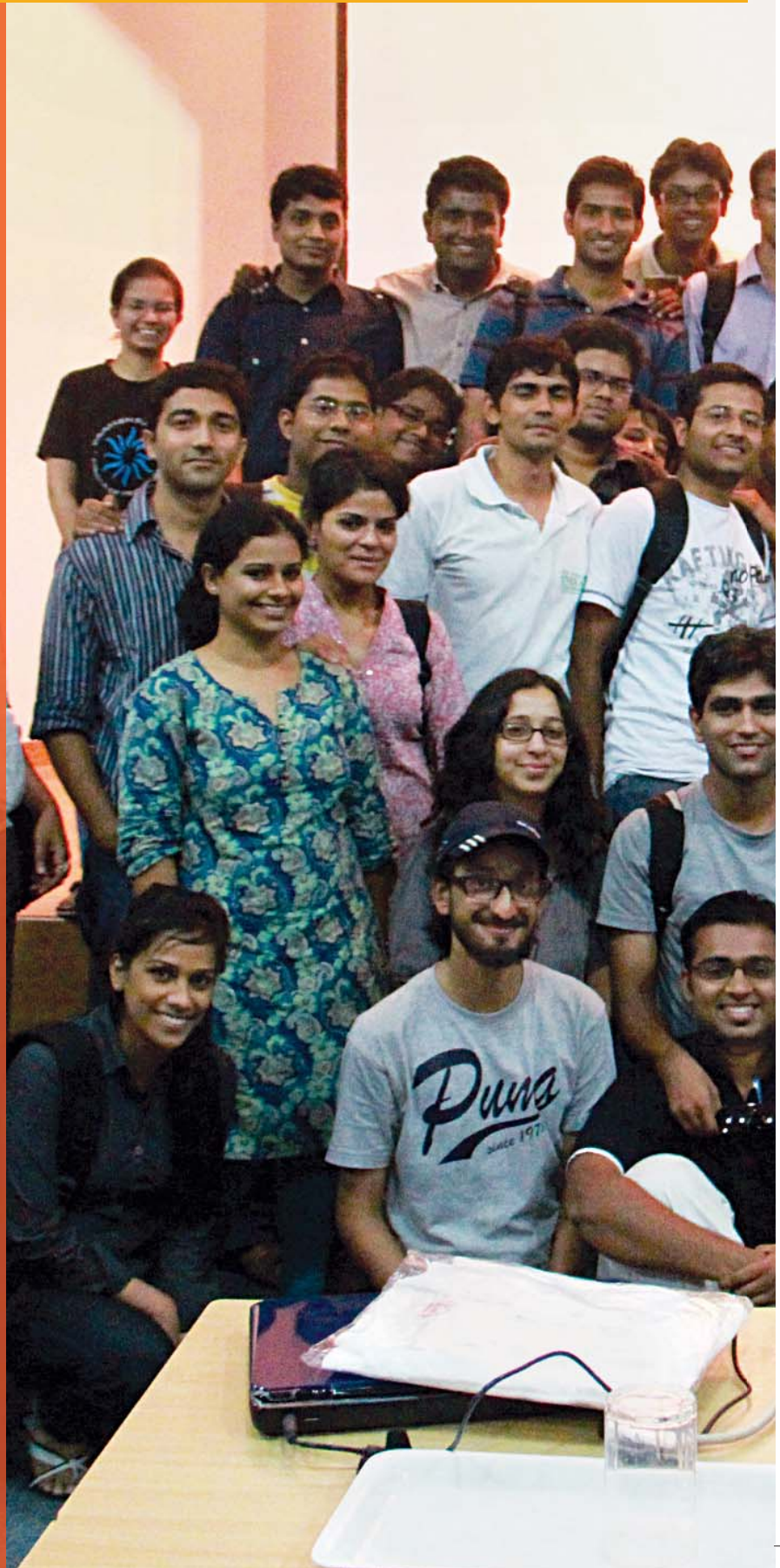
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If you can do or dream you can begin it now for boldness has genius, power and magic in it.

-Robert swan, OBE and Polar explorer

What a fantastic audience! Thought-provoking questions, interesting insights, fabulous challenges. This was one of those talks that made me think outside my comfort zone and that, to my mind, is the best kind of talk! Thank you for being such a thoughtful audience and keep your irreverence. It will serve you well in your lives!

-Madhavi Menon, Associate Professor of Literature, American University, Washington DC

Best wishes in your efforts to productively integrate your diverse interests for the benefit of the global community. I look forward to

following your successes individually and as a group.

- Dr. David Roos, Professor, University of Pennsylvania

A very inquisitive and alert group. Don't allow your spirit of inquiry to be marooned by challenges – this is my advice and wish. You will excel always.

-Uday Shankar, CEO, Star India

What an inspiring programme! Best of luck. Loved your enthusiasm and risk-appetite hunger. It's a pleasure to be here.

-Pramod Bhasin, Founder & Vice Chairman, Genpact

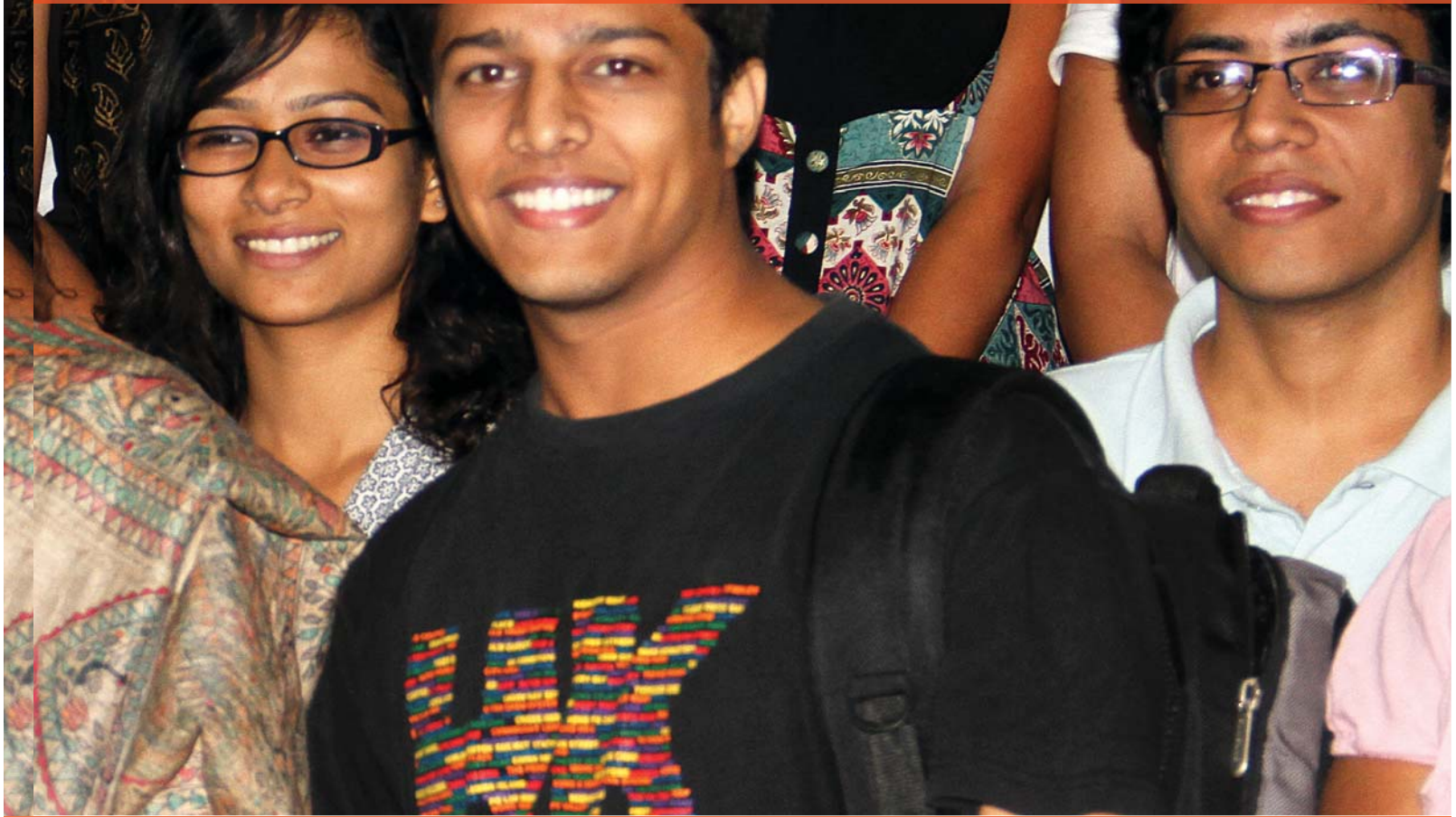
It's a thrill to be here and share my dreams and 'fire in my belly' with you Young India Fellows. Hope you find your 'fire in your bellies' and keep it burning bright!

-Sanjana Kapoor, Indian theatre personality

It was a real pleasure to interact with you! Thanks for inviting me and even more so for the challenging questions! Make sure that you



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don't contribute to wicked problems – be part of the solution.

-Arunabha Ghosh, CEO, Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW), India

I greatly enjoyed being here and found the interaction very interesting. You have a great future ahead and I wish you all the very best!

-Anwar Murtaza, Senior Scientist, R & D Division, Abbott Pharmaceutical Corporation, US

Great being here. May the force be with you all.

-Arjun Malhotra, Former Chairman, Headstrong

Ride free! Fantastic time and learned a lot!

-Anoop Prakash, MD, Harley-Davidson India

An inspiring and inquisitive group of students whom it was a pleasure to meet.

-Dilip Simeon, Chairperson, Aman Trust; Former Lecturer, Ramjas College, DU

It was a pleasure interacting with the enthusiastic class. Very bright guys/girls and great questions. Look forward to coming back!

-Deep Kalra, Founder & CEO, Make My Trip

Excellent interaction! Very good and motivated boys and girls. Best of luck.

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It was a pleasure interacting with all of you today and trying to answer all your insightful questions. Wish you all the best as you pursue your dreams!

-Kunal Shroff, MD, ChrysCapital

It was a very nice experience interacting with the Young India Fellows. May they touch the X zone some day!

-Kiran Seth, Founder, Spic Macay; Professor, India Institute of Technology, Delhi

Wish you all the very best in life. This is your time to make a difference! You have to do it!

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Very inquisitive and exciting students to interact with.

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