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## SUBMARINER SANDEEP GUPTA

FROM SERVING THE NATION TO  
SHAPING ITS DEFENDERS

Mr. Sandeep Gupta, Founder and Director of Doon Defence Academy (DDA), is a former Indian Navy submariner turned educationist. With 15 years of distinguished naval service, he founded DDA on 15th August 2005 in Dehradun to shape future defenders of the nation. Under his leadership, the academy has guided over 14,000 aspirants into the Armed Forces and Merchant Navy, blending academic excellence with discipline, leadership, and patriotism. His journey from soldier to mentor reflects his lifelong commitment to national service and youth empowerment.

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# ABOUT THE EVENT

Fames India Magazine is more than just a publication—it is a tribute to the pioneers, leaders, and changemakers who define the spirit of today's world. Every edition brings to light stories of determination, creativity, and impact, and this year, the journey takes on a global dimension with the World Icon Awards 2025—a grand celebration of excellence that transcends boundaries. This prestigious platform brings together outstanding personalities whose contributions inspire millions, turning recognition into a movement of hope and aspiration.

Gracing the occasion as Chief Guest is Saina Nehwal, one of India's most celebrated sporting legends, whose journey continues to motivate generations. She will be joined by an esteemed lineup of Guests of Honor: Mr. Shafi Shoukath, CEO & Founder of IQue Ventures, a visionary entrepreneur driving innovation and growth; His Excellency Mr. Alem Tsehay Woldemariam, Ambassador of the State of Eritrea to India, a diplomat fostering global cooperation; Dr. Senorita Isaac, Trade Commissioner of the Latin American Caribbean Trade Council, a driving force in global trade and cultural exchange; and Adv. Nitin Dadu, Founder of ADVOCAdesign, admired for his creative leadership and entrepreneurial vision.

The World Icon Awards 2025, in association with Fames India Magazine, stands as a global stage where recognition meets inspiration. From pioneering entrepreneurs and reformers to educators, cultural leaders, and innovators, this platform highlights stories that strengthen societies, create legacies, and embody the universal values of integrity, excellence, and service.

Guided by the vision of Fames India Magazine, and supported by international partners, this initiative celebrates human potential while nurturing a culture of aspiration. Our mission is not only to honor greatness but also to inspire it—encouraging dreamers, achievers, and leaders from every walk of life to reach higher and contribute to a brighter, stronger future.

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## Global Apex Awards & International Grandeur Awards 2025

The Global Apex Awards and International Grandeur Awards, organized by Kiteskraft Productions LLP in association with the Global Chamber of Consumer Rights, are prestigious platforms dedicated to celebrating excellence, leadership, and innovation across the globe. These awards recognize outstanding contributions in business, education, healthcare, social service, and innovation—honoring those who redefine standards of impact and integrity.

The Global Apex Awards highlight achievers and organizations who have reached the pinnacle of success, setting global benchmarks with their visionary leadership and transformative work.

The International Grandeur Awards extend this recognition to eminent personalities and institutions whose influence and ethical leadership create profound international impact, driving progress that benefits society at large.

Together, these awards aim to empower changemakers, inspire collaboration, and promote a culture of global recognition through the efforts of Kiteskraft Productions LLP and the Global Chamber of Consumer Rights.



# SANDEEP GUPTA

( RETD. SUBMARINER, INDIAN NAVY )

*From the Depths of the Ocean to the Pinnacle of Education: The Legacy of Mr. Sandeep Gupta and Doon Defence Academy*

In the heart of Dehradun, nestled amidst the serene hills of Uttarakhand, stands an institution that has transformed the dreams of thousands into a proud reality—Doon Defence Academy (DDA). At its helm is Mr. Sandeep Gupta, a man whose life journey from the steel confines of a submarine to the vibrant classrooms of DDA is nothing short of extraordinary.

Born on 2nd October 1972, Mr. Gupta's journey is one of patriotism and perseverance. At 16, he joined the Indian Navy on 2nd July 1989, choosing the demanding path of submarine service. Over 15 years, he honed discipline, teamwork, and resilience in the silent depths of the ocean.

After voluntarily retiring on 31st July 2005, he transitioned from military service to nation-building through education. Just two weeks later, on 15th August 2005, he founded Doon Defence Academy—marking a new chapter of service, from protecting the nation's shores to shaping its future.

What began as a modest coaching center has since evolved into one of India's most respected and results-driven defence preparatory academies, with over 14,500 selections across the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Merchant Navy in just 21 years. These are not just numbers—they are stories of young boys and girls transformed into officers, sailors, and warriors, carrying forward Mr. Gupta's vision of disciplined service to the nation.

Doon Defence Academy and its visionary Director, Mr. Sandeep Gupta (Retd. Submariner, Indian Navy), have earned prestigious state and national honors for their outstanding contribution to nation-building. From being felicitated by the Indian Navy at INS Chilka—where his naval journey began 35 years ago—to receiving the Best Defence Coaching in India award at the World Icon Awards 2025, presented by Olympian Saina Nehwal, Mr. Gupta's impact continues to inspire.

His accolades include the Uttarakhand Educator's Award, Dev Bhoomi Excellence Award, Uttarakhand Excellence Award, and Uttarjan Today Samman—each recognizing his unwavering commitment to education and defence training. Under his leadership, programs like the Foundation Course (Pratham Pag) have become benchmarks for holistic learning, blending academics with Defence and Merchant Navy coaching to instill discipline, excellence, and officer-like qualities in future leaders.

But DDA isn't stopping there.

Driven by Mr. Gupta's vision for holistic development, the academy is expanding into new educational frontiers. It now offers integrated NDA + JEE courses, preparing students for both the National Defence Academy and technical excellence. With the launch of CPL (Commercial Pilot License) and NEET coaching programs, DDA boldly enters the aviation and medical fields—areas vital to the nation's progress.

Despite its growth, the academy stays rooted in the core values of discipline, integrity, and service. At DDA, students aren't just prepared for exams—they're mentored for life, shaped by a legacy forged in the silent depths of the Indian Navy, where Mr. Gupta first learned the true meaning of leadership.

In an age where education is increasingly transactional, Mr. Sandeep Gupta and Doon Defence Academy stand out as beacons of transformational impact. His story reminds us that real success is not measured just in medals or ranks, but in the lives one changes, the futures one shapes, and the nation one builds—student by student, year after year.

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## Dr. MANJUNATH BHANDARY

*Dr. Manjunath Bhandary: A Visionary Transforming India's Higher Education Landscape*

In a nation striving to align education with innovation, leadership, and inclusivity, Dr. Manjunath Bhandary has emerged as a formidable force shaping the future of Indian academia. A technocrat by training, a social thinker by conviction, and an institution builder by action, he is widely recognized as a transformative leader in higher education. His decades-long work reflects a rare combination of engineering precision, political insight, and grassroots commitment.

He began his academic journey in Mechanical Engineering before expanding his intellectual horizons with an M.A. and M.Phil. in Political Science, a combination that gave him both technical expertise and a deep understanding of social frameworks. His scholarly pursuits culminated in a Ph.D. for his research on "Women's Participation in Panchayat Raj – A Case Study of Shimoga District," underscoring his dedication to inclusive governance and empowerment at the grassroots

level.

His leadership journey started not in administrative offices but in student movements, where he was recognized early as a youth leader with clarity of vision and the ability to mobilize collective action. These formative experiences shaped his compassionate yet forward-thinking approach to education, one that measures success not merely in degrees but in empowerment, innovation, and societal upliftment.

International recognition has followed his work. He is a recipient of the prestigious Eisenhower Fellowship from the Eisenhower Foundation, Philadelphia, USA—an honor awarded to global leaders who demonstrate outstanding vision and impact. This fellowship provided opportunities to exchange ideas with education innovators worldwide, further refining his mission back home. He has represented India at numerous international platforms, including the World HIV/AIDS Conference in Barcelona, and conceived impactful initiatives such as the "Rajiv Vikas Kendra" to generate one crore rural jobs and the "Indira Jyothi" scheme to provide LPG connections to below-poverty-line families in Karnataka.

Despite global accolades, his focus remains rooted in grassroots development. He has adopted the Government Higher Primary and High School in Bengre Kasaba, Karnataka, working to enhance infrastructure and create opportunities for underprivileged children. His belief that "schools should be spaces of possibility" underpins his efforts to make education accessible and transformative.

Among his many honors are the Asian Excellence Award 2024 for Best Engineering College of the Year, the Academic Insights Educational Award 2024 as India's Most Inspiring Educational Leader, and the Eminent Engineers Award from The Institution of Engineers (India). His proposals for rural job creation and energy access have been incorporated into state-level policies, demonstrating his influence beyond academia.

In 2002, he founded the Bhandary Foundation, dedicated to initiatives in education, health, culture, and sports. This vision led to the establishment of Sahyadri College of Engineering & Management in 2007. Situated on a 35-acre riverside campus in Mangaluru, the institution has been recognized among the Top 25 Most Innovative Private Institutions in India. Accredited by NBA and NAAC with an 'A' grade, and recognized as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (SIRO) by the Government of India, Sahyadri is a hub for innovation, entrepreneurship, and industry collaboration.

Under his leadership, the college has incubated over 22 student startups, partnered with 400+ companies for recruitment drives, and achieved placement packages as high as ₹72.30 LPA. State-of-the-art labs for Robotics, AI/ML, IIoT, and 3D printing foster hands-on learning, while initiatives like the Sahyadri Science Talent Hunt and Sahyadri Center for Social Innovation encourage social responsibility alongside technical expertise.

In an era where higher education often tilts toward commercialization, he stands out as a purpose-driven leader committed to building institutions that not only educate but also inspire. By integrating academic excellence with real-world problem solving and community engagement, he has redefined the role of higher education in nation-building.

As India navigates a rapidly evolving global landscape, his journey serves as a powerful reminder that education—when led with vision, heart, and social purpose—becomes the most transformative force for the future.



## SFS SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE ( Rev. Dr. VIVIAN WILSON LOBO )

*SFS School of Excellence: Shaping Future Leaders Through Holistic and Innovative Education*

SFS School of Excellence, situated in the heart of Seminary Hills, Nagpur, stands among the city's most distinguished educational institutions. Known for its affiliation with the ICSE board, the school has earned a stellar reputation for combining academic rigor with a nurturing environment that fosters all-round development. From Nursery to Class 10, it provides a comprehensive learning experience that goes beyond conventional teaching methods, setting a benchmark in quality education. The school's iconic red building has become a symbol of its unwavering commitment to academic excellence and the shaping of young, capable minds.

For the academic year 2025-2026, the institution is inviting admissions for Nursery, Preschool, Junior KG, and Senior KG, opening its doors to a new generation of learners. Its educational approach blends traditional values with modern methodologies, ensuring that every child receives a balanced and forward-thinking education.

While it follows the ICSE curriculum, the school is distinguished by its signature "Excellence Way" – a unique approach that integrates academic study with practical application. This framework encourages critical thinking, problem-solving, and creative expression, ensuring that students are equipped not only for academic achievement but also for success in life beyond school. By focusing on the holistic development of each learner, the institution aims to prepare its students for lifelong learning in both personal and professional spheres.

The curriculum at the school is notably expansive. Alongside core subjects, students are offered opportunities to explore foreign languages, advanced robotics, artificial intelligence, coding, music, and Western vocals. This forward-looking academic structure reflects its commitment to preparing students for the demands of a globalized world. By nurturing adaptability, innovation, and interdisciplinary skills, it ensures that graduates are not just academically strong, but also culturally aware and technologically adept.

Set within the lush, green surroundings of Seminary Hills, the school's serene campus provides an environment conducive to focused learning and emotional well-being. This natural setting fosters a calm and positive atmosphere, allowing students to engage deeply with their studies while also developing resilience and mindfulness.

A key strength of the institution lies in its faculty – a team of highly qualified and passionate educators dedicated to inspiring curiosity and instilling strong moral values. Teachers here see their role as more than just delivering lessons; they serve as mentors, guiding students to think independently, embrace challenges, and uphold integrity. Education, as practiced within these walls, is as much about building character as it is about imparting knowledge.

The institution's philosophy is rooted in the belief that a well-rounded education must extend beyond textbooks. Co-curricular activities, leadership opportunities, and value-based learning programs ensure that students graduate as confident, responsible individuals ready to contribute meaningfully to society. Its commitment to excellence is evident in every aspect – from the diversity of its curriculum and the quality of its faculty to the nurturing atmosphere it provides.

As a beacon of academic brilliance and holistic education in Nagpur, SFS School of Excellence continues to redefine what quality schooling means in the 21st century. For parents seeking an institution that offers academic strength, personal growth opportunities, and a vision for the future, it stands as an ideal choice. By blending tradition with innovation, and academic rigor with personal care, the school remains dedicated to preparing its students to not only meet the future but to shape it.







## Dr. Er. RATNESH GUPTA

**Dr. Er. Ratnesh Gupta: A Multifaceted Educator, Innovator, and Literary Voice**

Dr. Er. Ratnesh Gupta, currently serving as Training Officer at Government ITI Datia since June 2023, is an accomplished educationist whose career bridges the worlds of skill development, social service, and literature. With an impressive array of additional responsibilities—including Junior Apprentice Advisor, Nodal Training and Placement Officer, District Incharge for the World Skill Competition in Datia, and Master Trainer for the Advanced Livelihood Mission Training—he plays a pivotal role in shaping the skills, opportunities, and futures of students and apprentices in the region. As a member of the District Magistrate's 22 Commissions Team, his expertise extends beyond the classroom into broader community development and policy implementation.

His journey reflects a lifelong commitment to academic excellence and service. From his early years, he distinguished himself as a bright and motivated learner—earning a merit scholarship in class 8 with an impressive 89%, topping the district in class 10 with 82%, and winning awards in general knowledge and essay competitions. These early achievements laid the foundation for a career defined by dedication, intellect, and versatility.

Professionally, he has served in key educational leadership roles, including as Director of GATEIIT Academy from 2009 to 2012, Manager of the Skill Development Centre in Gulana, Shajapur, and as Training Officer in Government ITI Guna for nearly a decade before assuming his current position in Datia. His ability to balance administrative efficiency with student-centered mentorship has earned him a reputation as both a capable leader and an inspiring educator.

Parallel to his work in education, he has also made a name for himself in the literary field. His book, *Aisa Desh Hai Mera*, reflects a deep love for his country and a talent for expressive storytelling. Recognized with the Indian Literature Award by the Indian Literature and Arts Society in Bangalore and the Bharat Kavya Ratna Samman for his literary services, he was also honored as the Best Poet of the Year 2025. His ability to merge his professional life in vocational training with his passion for literature underscores his multifaceted talents.

His achievements have been widely recognized. In October 2024, he received the Outstanding Achievement Award from ITM Gwalior. He has been celebrated as the Best Teacher Educator and named the Most Inspiring Social Worker of the Year 2025—honors that speak to his influence not only in the classroom but also in the broader social landscape.

His career aspirations reflect both ambition and a commitment to public good. In the coming years, he aims to develop more effective training programs for students and apprentices, expand his literary contributions, grow the reach of his educational app “Ratnesh Classes,” and establish mentorship initiatives for young professionals. Long-term, he envisions taking on leadership roles in education administration, further cementing his place as a respected figure in both vocational training and literary circles.

Family heritage has played a defining role in shaping his values and vision. Born to Mr. Vikram Gupta, a retired ADO, and Shrimati Savita Gupta, a homemaker, he grew up in an environment that valued education, service, and cultural heritage. His grandfather, the late Dr. Rambharose Gupta, a distinguished personality in India who earned a PhD in Child Literature, left a legacy that continues to inspire his literary pursuits. The unwavering support from his wife, Mrs. Deepa Gupta, and his brother, engineer Pawanesh Gupta, has further strengthened his resolve to contribute meaningfully to society.

Grounded in family values, fueled by academic achievement, and driven by an unyielding sense of responsibility, he has built a career that seamlessly integrates education, innovation, literature, and social impact. His work at Government ITI Datia and beyond stands as a testament to the power of knowledge, creativity, and service in shaping a better future for individuals and communities alike.

# Mr. AVINASH SHENDE & Mr. SACHIN PANDE

*Pioneering Fintech Innovation: The Vision of Avinash Shende and Sachin Pande*

The financial technology sector has undergone a revolutionary transformation in recent decades, with innovation reshaping the way banking and financial services are delivered. Among the leaders driving this change are two visionary entrepreneurs, Mr. Avinash Shende and Mr. Sachin Pande, the force behind Virtual Galaxy Infotech Limited (VGIL). Through foresight, innovation, and a mission for digital inclusion, they have positioned VGIL as a pioneer in the fields of core banking, enterprise resource planning (ERP), and e-Governance.

VGIL was founded on September 12, 1997, in Nagpur. What began as a tech-driven startup quickly expanded its operations to major Indian cities such as Mumbai, Delhi, Pune, and Bangalore, and later reached international markets like Tanzania. From the beginning, the company's vision was clear: to provide scalable fintech solutions that could address the evolving needs of financial institutions while making financial services more accessible.

At the center of VGIL's growth lies its ability to integrate cutting-edge technologies—artificial intelligence, blockchain, and cloud computing—into the financial ecosystem. By blending these tools into banking and governance, VGIL has improved operational efficiency, enhanced data security, and broadened financial accessibility for institutions ranging from cooperative banks and NBFCs to government bodies and international organizations.

The company's leadership is a reflection of its two founders' combined expertise. Mr. Avinash Shende, Chairman and Executive Director, holds a degree in Computer Engineering and an MBA in IT from Nagpur University. His vision for digital banking took shape as early as the 1990s, well before fintech became a mainstream concept in India. Alongside him, Mr. Sachin Pande, Managing Director and CTO, brings strategic insights in fintech marketing, enterprise solutions, and product innovation. Together, their shared philosophy of customer-centricity, scalability, and inclusion has ensured VGIL's steady rise in the fintech landscape.

One of the company's flagship innovations is E-Banker, an AI-driven core banking solution that has transformed how banks and NBFCs manage operations. With a scalable architecture and automation features, E-Banker has streamlined financial workflows and empowered institutions across India and Africa. Another highlight is V-Pay, a digital payment platform that facilitates secure, real-time transactions, bridging the gap between traditional banking and modern digital needs. Additionally, VGIL's ERP and e-Governance platforms are strengthening data security, transparency, and efficiency in both business and government operations—efforts that align closely with the Digital India mission.

These innovations have not gone unnoticed. VGIL has received several awards for excellence, including the Asia Leadership Award for Financial Services Tech of the Year, the Inspiring Leaders Award for Financial Technology Advancement, and the Indian Icon's Award for Best Innovation in Core Banking Solutions. Individually, Mr. Sachin Pande has been recognized as Best CEO of the Year, while VGIL has also earned the Best in Class RegTech Solution Award. These honors reflect the company's credibility and the trust it has built in the global fintech industry.

Beyond awards, VGIL's influence extends to its global partnerships. Having established itself in Africa, the company has collaborated with financial institutions, microfinance organizations, and governments to deploy tailored fintech solutions. These partnerships demonstrate the adaptability of VGIL's products and its commitment to advancing financial inclusion across diverse socio-economic landscapes.

Looking ahead, the company is preparing for its next chapter as a public limited company. The roadmap includes a deeper focus on Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) models, integrating advanced technologies such as AI-driven analytics, blockchain security frameworks, and intelligent cybersecurity systems. The long-term vision of Shende and Pande is clear: to democratize financial services, extend solutions to underserved communities, and contribute to sustainable economic development worldwide.

At the heart of VGIL's progress is a work culture shaped by empowerment and agility. Both leaders encourage continuous learning, innovation, and collaboration across teams. They foster an environment where employees are motivated to take ownership, experiment with ideas, and challenge traditional methods. This culture of innovation has been critical to VGIL's success in a rapidly changing industry.

Equally important is their emphasis on balance. Despite the demands of steering a fast-growing fintech enterprise, Mr. Shende and Mr. Pande advocate structured time management and effective delegation. By leading through example, they show that innovation and sustainable leadership can go hand in hand.

The story of Avinash Shende and Sachin Pande is one of vision, resilience, and transformation. From founding a small enterprise in Nagpur to building a global fintech company, they have not only adapted to technological changes but also anticipated them. Their legacy lies in creating solutions that make finance more inclusive, secure, and future-ready.

As the fintech sector continues to evolve, their work with VGIL stands as a powerful reminder that technology, when guided by vision and values, has the potential to transform societies and empower millions.







## RANJEET SINGH NIRVANA

Ranjeet Singh Nirvana is a seasoned hospitality professional with over 32 years of experience in hotel management, operations, marketing, food and beverage services, and guest relations. Based in Rajasthan, India, he currently serves as General Manager of Rawla Sagrun, Kumbhalgarh, where he leads operations, marketing, and reservations with a focus on delivering unmatched hospitality and guest satisfaction. Under his leadership, Rawla Sagrun has earned a reputation as a top-rated destination in the region, especially known for hosting exquisite destination weddings and creating memorable experiences for guests.

Throughout his distinguished career, Ranjeet has managed and transformed numerous hotels and resorts across India and abroad, including roles as General Manager at Aranya Vilas Resort in Udaipur, Sunway Hotel in Shenzhen (China), and Hotel Udai Kothi in Udaipur. His expertise lies in pre-opening operations, staff recruitment and training, project management, and the development of efficient systems that ensure superior service standards. His

leadership style is marked by hands-on involvement in every aspect of operations, from overseeing housekeeping and front office to sales, marketing, and security.

Ranjeet's experience also extends internationally, having worked in China where he successfully introduced Indian cuisine concepts, implemented new business policies, and improved operational efficiency. His tenure in Shenzhen included managing Indian restaurants and hotels, where he was instrumental in training local staff on Indian culinary practices and enhancing guest services. His cross-cultural management skills and ability to adapt to diverse environments have significantly contributed to his success in these roles.

His strengths include exceptional guest relation skills, an eye for detail, and a positive approach to employee relations. He is known for creating "special touches" that enhance the guest experience and for resolving concerns with efficiency and care. Ranjeet is deeply committed to team development, regularly conducting grooming and personality development sessions for staff to ensure they deliver first-class service. His expertise in profit and loss management, vendor relations, and marketing strategies has enabled him to drive growth and profitability across the properties he has managed.

Ranjeet's professional journey also includes significant contributions in the area of hotel projects. He has served as Project In-Charge for properties like Hotel Chunda Palace, Aranya Vilas Resort - Udaipur and Hotel Park Street in Jaipur, where he oversaw construction, pre-opening activities, and operational setup. His technical knowledge, coupled with strong organizational and analytical skills, allows him to effectively plan and execute large-scale hospitality projects from concept to completion.

An excellent communicator fluent in English and Hindi, Ranjeet holds a Diploma in Hotel and Tourism Management from the Institute of Management Studies, Bikaner, and a Master Diploma in Software Technology. His diverse educational background complements his operational expertise, enabling him to integrate technology into hotel management systems for improved efficiency. Additionally, he has undergone professional training in all departments of hotel operations, further strengthening his holistic understanding of the hospitality sector.

Beyond hotel operations, Ranjeet's experience includes managing tour operations, catering, and restaurant services, demonstrating his versatility across various segments of the hospitality industry. His career has been marked by consistent recognition from senior management for his outstanding performance, dedication, and innovative approach to enhancing guest satisfaction.

With a career built on integrity, innovation, and excellence, Ranjeet Singh Nirvana continues to contribute significantly to the hospitality industry. His passion for creating memorable experiences, developing teams, and driving operational success makes him a valuable leader in any hospitality venture.



# Mr. SAJIN AYOTHI

*From Vision to Venture: The Inspiring Journey of Er. Sajin and SARA CONSTRUCTION & ENTERPRISES*

In the face of adversity, some see challenges while others see opportunity. Er. Sajin, born on 07th June 2000, belongs to the latter group—an inspiring young entrepreneur whose discipline, creativity, and unwavering commitment to his passion have helped build not just structures, but a business legacy.

## Early Beginnings and Academic Foundation

A native of India, Sajin pursued his academic journey in civil engineering, graduating in 2022. But even before donning the graduation cap, his entrepreneurial spirit had already taken flight. During the uncertain and testing times of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, while the world was coming to a halt, Sajin found an opportunity to begin something remarkable—a renovation business that would lay the foundation for a thriving enterprise.

## A Family Legacy and Corporate Training

Behind every strong entrepreneur is often a guiding light—and for Sajin, it was his father, who not only mentored him but became the backbone of his early decisions. Under his father's guidance and with formal training at one of India's top real estate companies, Sajin sharpened his technical and business acumen, learning the ropes of the trade with dedication.

His reputation soon began to spread, with trusted clients returning and referring new ones, impressed by his unique project delivery style and creative touch. What started as a small-scale venture quickly gained momentum, and Sajin's name started echoing within the local construction and renovation circles.

## The Birth of SARA CONSTRUCTION & ENTERPRISES

Driven by his vision and a desire to create something lasting, Sajin officially established his firm—SARA CONSTRUCTION & ENTERPRISES. The name became synonymous with quality, creativity, and timely delivery. From interior renovations to full-scale construction projects, each undertaking bore the mark of his passion and precision.

Sajin is known not just for his professional skill but also for his discipline and dedication in every aspect of his work. Whether it's a compact renovation or a luxury build, he approaches each project with the same enthusiasm and attention to detail.

## Rising to Success

In just a few years, SARA CONSTRUCTION & ENTERPRISES has scaled impressive heights, now boasting an annual turnover of ₹5 to ₹10 crores. This remarkable growth is a testament to Sajin's relentless effort, innovative thinking, and the trust he has cultivated among his clients.

## Looking Ahead

At just 25, Er. Sajin stands as a role model for aspiring civil engineers and young entrepreneurs across India. His journey—from a pandemic-era startup to a multi-crore construction enterprise—is proof that with vision, mentorship, and hard work, anything is possible.

As SARA CONSTRUCTION & ENTERPRISES continues to grow and diversify, one thing remains certain: Sajin's story has only just begun.



# Dr. C. SUJITHA DEVA VISHNU

*Dr. C. Sujitha Deva Vishnu: Pioneering Sustainable Entrepreneurship and Women's Empowerment in India*

In a country where entrepreneurial innovation and social responsibility increasingly define success, Dr. C. Sujitha Deva Vishnu stands out as a dynamic leader seamlessly blending academic brilliance, sustainable business practices, and a deep commitment to community welfare. Her journey reflects not only professional excellence but also an unyielding dedication to empowering others, particularly women, to achieve their full potential.

With dual Master's degrees in Power Electronics and Business Management, she began her professional career in academia as a professor and researcher specializing in renewable energy. Her early work in the field of sustainable energy solutions demonstrated both her technical expertise and her strong environmental consciousness. Through research and teaching, she championed the use of alternative energy sources, laying the groundwork for a career that would later merge technology, business, and social impact.

Her life took a transformative turn in 2017 following her marriage, when she shifted her focus from academic halls to agricultural fields. Drawn to the principles of healthy living and environmental stewardship, she embraced organic farming as both a personal passion and a professional endeavor. Applying her scientific background and business acumen, she developed a sustainable farming model that not only produced high-quality organic products but also provided livelihood opportunities for local communities.

This entrepreneurial venture took on even greater significance during the COVID-19 pandemic. While much of the world grappled with uncertainty and economic hardship, she stepped forward to support those in need. Coordinating relief efforts, she distributed food and essential supplies to vulnerable families, embodying the values of empathy, resilience, and service that have defined her career. Her actions during this crisis underscored her belief that entrepreneurship must be grounded in social responsibility.

Her work has not gone unnoticed. She has been honored with a series of prestigious awards, including the Asian Excellence Award and the International Eminence Award, in recognition of her contributions to sustainable development and community empowerment. She has also received an honorary doctorate in Women Entrepreneurship—an acknowledgment of her exceptional role in promoting gender equality and creating platforms for women to succeed in business.

What distinguishes her as a leader is her ability to unite diverse fields—integrating academic research, entrepreneurial innovation, and grassroots social initiatives into a coherent and impactful vision. Her organic farming enterprise is not merely a business; it is a statement on eco-conscious living and inclusive growth. By encouraging sustainable agricultural practices, she advocates for environmental protection while simultaneously uplifting rural economies.

As a mentor and role model, she has inspired a new generation of women entrepreneurs to break barriers in traditionally male-dominated sectors. Her approach emphasizes the importance of perseverance, adaptability, and staying rooted in one's values. Through workshops, mentorship programs, and personal engagement, she continues to empower women to pursue entrepreneurship with confidence and purpose.

Looking ahead, she remains focused on expanding her ventures and deepening their social impact. Her long-term vision includes building networks of women-led enterprises, promoting sustainable business models across industries, and fostering innovation that serves both economic and environmental goals.

Her philosophy is clear: success is not measured solely by personal achievement but by the positive change one creates in the lives of others. Whether through championing sustainability, advocating for gender equality, or supporting her community in times of crisis, she exemplifies what it means to be a transformative leader in the 21st century.

In an era where the challenges of climate change, social inequality, and economic instability demand new approaches, her work stands as proof that entrepreneurial success and social good can—and must—go hand in hand. Her journey is a powerful reminder that with passion, purpose, and persistence, it is possible to build a business that not only thrives in the marketplace but also makes the world a better place.







## Dr. SHAHNAWAZ ALAM

**Dr. Shah Nawaz Alam: Championing Industrial Relations and Workers' Empowerment**

Dr. Shah Nawaz Alam, based in Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, has carved out a remarkable career as both a seasoned union leader and an academic voice in industrial relations. With over 26 years of experience in trade unions and five years as a research fellow, he has become a prominent figure bridging the gap between management and labour through constructive dialogue, leadership, and education. Currently serving as Vice President of Tata Workers' Union, Working President at JCAPCPL (a joint venture of Nippon Steel Japan and Tata Steel), and Secretary of Jharkhand INTUC, his career reflects a lifelong commitment to building strong institutions and advocating for workers' rights.

Over the decades, he has held multiple leadership roles, including General Secretary of Seva Sadan Workers' Union, GORC and TDRC Workers' Union, and Tata Steel Homeopathic Society Union. He has also served as Advisor to JUSCO Shramik Union and the Tata Steel

Zoological Society Union. His leadership extends beyond industrial relations, as he also presides over the All India Women's Conference in Jharkhand, demonstrating a broader commitment to social empowerment.

As a union executive, Dr. Alam has consistently championed initiatives designed to enhance organizational effectiveness while keeping employees' welfare at the forefront. He has organized training and development courses for the wards of employees, equipping them with the skills needed to thrive in a changing job market. He has also overseen significant institutional reforms, including drafting constitutions for unions, launching the Tata Workers' Union website, and establishing the Heritage Gallery of Tata Workers' Union. His leadership has been instrumental in ensuring peaceful and democratic elections across various unions, duly recognized by the Labour Commissioner of Jharkhand.

Beyond union leadership, he has worked to enhance professional capabilities within the labour movement. He spearheaded ISO auditor certification training for union officials, contributed to joint departmental councils at Tata Steel, and edited the in-house magazine Ispat Mazdoor for three years. His communication skills have made him a respected visiting faculty member at prestigious institutions such as SNTI (Tata Steel), Michael John Research Centre, IIM Ranchi, and XISS Ranchi, where he has delivered lectures on industrial relations and joint consultation practices.

Dr. Alam's academic journey is equally impressive. He holds a B.Sc. in Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics; an M.Sc. in Physics and Electronics; an MBA in Human Resources; an Executive MBA in Industrial Relations from North East Virginia University, USA; and a Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management. He has successfully completed his Ph.D. in Management (Industrial Relations) from Arka Jain University, Jamshedpur, further cementing his reputation as both a practitioner and scholar.

His expertise has been enriched by numerous international training programs and seminars. He has completed certifications from globally recognized institutions such as Johns Hopkins University, the University of Colorado, the University of Michigan, and ITC Turin (Italy), covering themes like workplace diversity, disability inclusion, fragility in global work systems, and negotiation strategies. His participation in seminars at XLRI Jamshedpur, MRA Centre Panchgani, and international programs in Brazil, Colombo, and Sri Lanka has further broadened his outlook.

A prolific researcher and presenter, Dr. Alam has published papers in reputed international journals on topics such as HR analytics, ethical business practices, and the role of labour in corporate development. His papers have been presented at national and international platforms, including Kalinga University and H.S. Gour University. His contributions to knowledge dissemination complement his on-ground leadership, making him both a practitioner and thought leader in his field.

Over the years, he has also received recognition for his contributions, including the "Best Suggestor Award" at Tata Steel in 2004. His membership in professional bodies such as the Youth Hostel Association of India and the Indian Academic Researchers Association reflects his engagement beyond the workplace.

Balancing a demanding professional life with personal commitments, Dr. Alam is married and a proud father of two daughters. His journey exemplifies how leadership, education, and social commitment can converge to create lasting impact in both industry and society.



# TALENTED RITU INSAN

*Empowering Generations Through Skill and Self-Reliance: The Inspiring Work of Mrs. Reetu Rani*

Mrs. Reetu Rani is a transformative leader in education and social entrepreneurship whose work has empowered thousands—particularly women and marginalized communities—to break free from cycles of poverty and dependence. Over more than a decade, she has spearheaded initiatives that merge skill development, personal growth, and community empowerment. Her trailblazing contributions have earned her national recognition, including features in Forbes and India Today.

Her journey began in the rural heartlands, where she witnessed first-hand the scarcity of opportunities for women and youth, especially in education and employable skills. This experience ignited a deep sense of purpose in her—to bridge the gap between education and employability. She firmly believed that skill-based education was not merely a privilege but a fundamental right, and a cornerstone for economic independence and self-reliance.

Determined to make a difference, she launched a series of programs offering practical, hands-on training in areas such as tailoring, computer literacy, and small-scale entrepreneurship. These initiatives have equipped participants with the skills needed to secure employment or start their own ventures, freeing them from dependence on charity or unstable informal work. Many of those she has trained have gone on to become self-sufficient providers for their families, contributing to local economies and inspiring others in their communities.

What distinguishes her approach is its holistic nature. She recognizes that empowerment extends beyond technical proficiency—it requires nurturing confidence, self-esteem, and leadership skills. This is especially true for young women, who often face entrenched societal barriers. By fostering both professional competence and personal growth, her programs help participants emerge as role models who inspire further transformation within their communities.

Her adaptability has also been key to her sustained impact. She tailors her training methods to meet the unique needs of rural women, urban youth, and marginalized groups, ensuring accessibility and cultural sensitivity. This flexibility has built trust among participants and has encouraged widespread participation, creating a network of alumni who advocate for and mentor new trainees.

Beyond her grassroots initiatives, she has established herself as a strong advocate for systemic change. She actively participates in local and national policy discussions, using her on-the-ground experience to inform broader strategies for improving access to education, expanding vocational training, and advancing gender equality. By amplifying the voices of those often overlooked, she has contributed to shaping policies that are more inclusive and responsive to community needs.

Her dedication has been recognized with numerous awards from both governmental and non-governmental organizations. However, she measures success not only through accolades but through the tangible outcomes of her work—self-reliant individuals, empowered communities, and the steady dismantling of barriers that limit opportunity.

Her inclusion in Forbes and India Today highlights her innovative and sustainable approach to empowerment, showcasing her as a leader who is not just creating change but ensuring that it endures. She has demonstrated that when education is coupled with opportunity, individuals from even the most disadvantaged backgrounds can thrive and lead.

Her journey is a testament to the belief that empowering one person can spark a chain reaction of positive change, impacting families, communities, and future generations. Through skill-building, advocacy, and an unwavering commitment to self-reliance, she has laid the groundwork for stronger, more resilient communities.

In every initiative she leads, her vision remains clear: transformation is possible when opportunity meets determination. Her story continues to inspire countless others to believe in their own potential and to contribute to a future where empowerment is not an exception, but a norm.





## BHISHMA MIHIR MADHANI

Bhishma Madhani is a visionary fitness entrepreneur, internationally trained strength and conditioning coach, and a purpose-driven leader whose mission bridges elite sport with nation-building. He represents a rare fusion of scientific expertise, real-world application, and unwavering patriotism. His journey is not just about fitness—it is about inspiring a movement where physical well-being, high-performance sport, and social responsibility co-exist to shape a stronger, healthier, and more united India.

Bhishma holds a B.Sc. in Sports and Exercise Science with a specialization in Strength and Conditioning from the prestigious Middlesex University London, one of the UK's top institutions for sports education. He is currently pursuing an M.Sc. in Sports Directorship, a program designed to shape future leaders in high-performance sports management—equipping him with the strategic acumen to lead elite sporting institutions from the front. His academic path reflects a deep commitment not just to coaching and performance, but to building systems that can nurture and

sustain sporting excellence across generations.

His professional career has spanned across some of the most iconic and competitive environments in global sport. Bhishma served as a Strength & Conditioning Coach at the historic Lord's Cricket Ground in London, the spiritual home of cricket, where he worked with international athletes and observed the highest levels of professionalism and discipline. He was also appointed Head S&C Coach for Watford FC's U-19 team in England, where he helped develop young footballers at a Premier League club with a reputation for nurturing talent.

Despite having the opportunity to build a life and career overseas, Bhishma never wished to stay outside India. For him, working abroad was never about settling—it was about learning, evolving, and bringing that world-class knowledge and experience back home. He has always believed that true success lies in serving one's own people and building one's own nation. With that deep-rooted sense of purpose, he returned to India with a clear goal: to elevate the country's sporting culture and create lasting impact at every level.

Through his premium fitness consultancy and brand, Body Architect – BM, Bhishma has transformed thousands of lives. His science-backed training methods, evidence-based nutrition plans, and habit-focused coaching models are built around sustainability, functionality, and real human needs—whether for elite athletes, fitness enthusiasts, or complete beginners. His coaching goes beyond aesthetics; it's about restoring function, confidence, and discipline in people's daily lives. He believes that fitness should be accessible, achievable, and adaptable, not just aspirational.

Bhishma's leadership extends beyond business. As an Ambassador of the Fit India Movement, he has taken his expertise to the grassroots level. He has offered complimentary training and diet programs to over 1000+ Indian Army personnel, police officers, and paramilitary forces, honouring the service of the nation's protectors. He has also conducted seminars and workshops across schools, colleges, hospitals, and public institutions to promote health literacy, preventive care, and physical education—especially among youth and underserved communities.

In recognition of his outstanding contributions to both fitness and society, Bhishma was awarded the Pride of Gujarat 2025 by News18 Gujarati, an honour presented by the Hon. Governor of Gujarat, Shri Acharya Devvrat. This award reflects his unwavering dedication to public service, community upliftment, and national development.

His impact is not limited to humans. Bhishma is also the founder of a 'Matru Chetna foundation that provides medical treatment and rehabilitation for stray dogs, advocating for animal welfare in India with compassion and action. The same foundation also offers free education, mentorship, and career support to underprivileged children, empowering them to break the cycle of poverty and build dignified futures. His efforts are a reflection of his belief that true leadership means lifting others up—whether it's a forgotten child or a voiceless animal.

Looking ahead, Bhishma aspires to serve as the Sports Director of the Indian Cricket Team (BCCI)—a role through which he aims to combine global expertise with national pride to build systems that nurture champions and unite a nation through sport. His vision is not just to win trophies, but to build a legacy of excellence, integrity, and resilience in Indian sport.

Bhishma Madhani is more than a coach. He is a reformer, a bridge between global standards and Indian values, and a man deeply committed to using his knowledge for the collective good. A true son of the soil with the skills of the world, Bhishma is building a legacy rooted in service, strength, and spirit.





# Dr. RAJESH TAKYAR

## Dr. Rajesh Takyar: A Life of Innovation, Literature, and Inspiration

Dr. Rajesh Takyar, born in 1955 in Jalandhar and raised in New Delhi, is an entrepreneur and author whose journey exemplifies resilience, vision, and perseverance. From supporting himself during his B.Com studies to building a globally recognized technology company, his life has been defined by turning challenges into opportunities. In 1999, his curiosity and ambition led him and his son to teach themselves computer programming. This self-acquired skill became the foundation for a technology enterprise launched in 2006, which went on to make its mark in mobile applications and innovative digital solutions.

His passion for invention extended beyond conventional technology. Together with his son, he created the Hiarya Tea Robot, the world's first tea-making robot. This pioneering innovation drew international attention, especially when it was showcased at Pragati Maidan seven years ago. The project was eventually acquired by a leading global tea manufacturer, further cementing his reputation as a trailblazer in combining creativity with practical solutions. The robot's wide media coverage underscored not only its novelty but also his forward-looking mindset in bridging tradition with technology.

Today, he devotes much of his time to intellectual and literary pursuits. A keen student of spiritual texts, he has immersed himself in the study of the Puranas, the Vedas, and other Hindu scriptures. He has also contributed extensively to Wikipedia, enhancing global knowledge repositories with his research and expertise. Beyond this, he is recognized as a prolific author. His autobiographical work, *Inventing Dreams*, published in both Hindi and English, chronicles his extraordinary life journey and received the prestigious Golden Book Award. He has since authored several other titles, including *Krishna Ek Satyagyan*, *Sinope Ka Khazana*, and *Safalta Ka Rasta*, with seven additional works in progress.

Currently, he is focused on a significant literary project—an in-depth exploration of the eighteen chapters of the *Shrimad Bhagavad Gita*. With four chapters already completed and awaiting publication, he envisions this series as a contribution to making timeless wisdom more accessible to modern readers. He firmly believes that the profound knowledge of Hindu scriptures should be shared globally, and his writings reflect his dedication to this mission.

His contributions to literature and innovation have been recognized with numerous honors. Apart from the Golden Book Award for *Inventing Dreams*, he has been the recipient of the National Bharat Ratna Award, the Bharat Gaurav Ratna Shri Samman Award, the National Shaurya Samman, and the Best Author & Writer of the Year Award. His work and values have also earned him membership in the World Human Rights Protection Commission, highlighting the broad spectrum of his influence and impact.

Reflecting on his experiences, he speaks warmly of the World Icon Award Ceremony, describing it as both memorable and inspiring. He praised the professionalism and warmth of the organizers, noting that such gestures made the event truly special. His appreciation for the recognition extended beyond personal achievement; it represented the encouragement that fuels his drive to continue contributing in the fields of literature, innovation, and human development.

From an ambitious young student to a globally recognized innovator and respected author, his journey is a remarkable testament to determination, creativity, and lifelong learning. Deeply proud of his children and content with his accomplishments, he continues to inspire through his writings and inventions, leaving behind not only a legacy of success but also an enduring message of perseverance and purpose.





## Mr. PREMESIS BHATTACHARJEE

### *The Inspiration Named Premasis Bhattacharjee*

Mr. Premasis Bhattacharjee's life journey is a true testament to dedication, compassion, and selflessness. Born on July 2, 1972, in Kolkata, with roots in Natun Kalipur, Krishnanagar, Nadia, West Bengal, he has risen from humble beginnings to become a successful entrepreneur and social activist.

His remarkable achievements are reflected in the 10+ companies he founded under the Sap Group, which have provided countless families with employment opportunities and stability.

### Sap Group Companies

- Sri Sai Sap Event Management Pvt. Ltd.
- Avirajvi Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.
- SAP Associates
- SAP Infrastructure
- SAP Webmark

- SAP International College
- Workforce Advisory Pvt. Ltd.
- SAP Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd.
- Workforce Business Management Pvt. Ltd.
- SAP Interiors & Design Pvt. Ltd.
- Sweet Happy Journey Tour & Travels Pvt. Ltd.

Guiding this successful enterprise is his mantra:

"EVERY BUSINESS SHOULD HAVE AN EXIGENCY PLAN WHICH IS WELL SUPPORTED WITH VISION."

### Awards & Recognition

- Rashtriya Atal Puraskar (2023)
- International Atal Award (2023)
- Bengal Business Samman (2024)
- International Business Icon Award (2024)
- Rashtriya Padma Bhushan Sammaan (2024)
- International Peace Ambassador Award (2024)
- Honorary Doctorate Award from Well Education & Peace Council (2024)
- Awarded Membership of World Human Rights Protection Commission (2024)

### Social Contributions

Mr. Bhattacharjee has always worked tirelessly for the betterment of society. In 2010, he founded the Krishnagar Natun Kalipur Cultural & Welfare Society (KNKCWS), where he continues to serve as an active President.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, he made significant contributions to help communities in need. He also served as President of the Rotary Club of Sonarpur (2021-2022), strengthening his role in community service.

Through his leadership, determination, and compassionate service for the welfare of the underprivileged, he has touched and transformed countless lives.

### An Inspiration to Many

The life of Premasis Bhattacharjee is a shining example that one individual can indeed make a profound difference in the lives of others.

A self-made man, he firmly believes:

"TOGETHER WE CAN SUCCEED AND CAN MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE."

## Mr. NIKKU GILL

*Nikku Sir's Inspiring Agenda: Empowering Future Entrepreneurs through Accountancy*

In the vast universe of education, there exists a special breed of educators who transcend conventional teaching boundaries and inspire their students to dream big. Nikku Sir, a dedicated accountancy teacher, is one such luminary whose life mission extends beyond the confines of textbooks and classrooms. His vision goes far beyond producing top-notch professionals; he aspires to mold his students into successful entrepreneurs capable of offering employment opportunities to others. At Nikku Sir's Commerce classes, he imparts the practical essence of accountancy in a way that's not just informative but engaging and fun, all while helping his students conquer the daunting exam fear.

Nikku Sir's journey as an educator is not driven by selfish interests or mundane career pursuits; it's motivated by a genuine desire to create a lasting impact on the lives of his students. He ardently believes that accountancy is more than just numbers on a ledger; it's the universal language of business, the very foundation upon which the financial world is built. Nikku Sir envisions his role as that of a guide, leading his students towards a profound understanding of the pivotal connection between accounting principles and the success of enterprises.

One of Nikku Sir's standout qualities is his remarkable ability to bridge the gap between abstract accountancy theories and tangible real-life applications. With passion and flair, he demonstrates to his students how these principles are the lifeblood of businesses, fostering within them a deep appreciation for the subject. By illustrating how accountancy is interwoven with the daily workings of organizations, he encourages his students to see the subject's practical importance. This innovative approach not only makes learning enjoyable but also equips his students with the skills and knowledge necessary to shine in their future careers.

Fear of exams is a common challenge that many students face, and it can be a significant hindrance to their performance. Nikku Sir, however, is well aware of this concern and employs inventive teaching techniques to alleviate these fears. He creates a safe, nurturing, and encouraging learning environment, where students feel comfortable asking questions, seeking clarifications, and engaging in vibrant discussions. Students who've been under Nikku Sir's tutelage often describe his teaching style as nothing short of 'awesome' because he goes the extra mile to ensure they are well-prepared, confident, and fearless when it comes to exams. In his classroom, exams are viewed not as intimidating obstacles but as opportunities to showcase one's knowledge and shine brightly.

Nikku Sir's career as an educator is more than just a profession; it's a true calling. He comprehends the profound impact teachers can have on their students and carries an unwavering passion for accountancy. His dedication to making a positive change in the lives of his young learners shines through in his teaching methods. Nikku Sir isn't content with simply imparting knowledge; he aims to inspire and sculpt the future of his students.

Nikku Sir's passion for teaching and his extraordinary commitment to his students culminated in the establishment of his own coaching classes, "Nikku Sir's Commerce Classes." This institution is a living testament to his vision of grooming future entrepreneurs and professionals who can give back to society by creating job opportunities for others.

Nikku Sir's unwavering agenda to empower his students to become not just professionals but future employers is nothing short of inspiring. His innovative teaching approach, real-world connections, and relentless pursuit of eliminating exam fears make him a teacher par excellence. Through his guidance, Nikku Sir is not merely preparing students for exams; he is nurturing the leaders and visionaries of tomorrow. His journey as an educator is a shining example of the profound impact a passionate teacher can have on the lives of their students, and his legacy will undoubtedly be one of success, inspiration, and empowerment.







## Dr. ETTAM RAVINDRA MOHAN

*Dr. Ettam Ravindra Mohan: A Surgeon Redefining the Balance Between Private Excellence and Public Service*

Dr. Ettam Ravindra Mohan, one of Telangana's most respected general surgeons, has built a career that masterfully blends surgical expertise with an unwavering dedication to social responsibility. With decades of experience and more than 30,000 surgeries performed, he stands as a rare example of a medical professional equally committed to cutting-edge private care and accessible public healthcare. His reputation rests not only on his technical skill in the operating theatre but also on his principled approach to ensuring that life-saving treatment is available to all, regardless of financial standing.

He currently leads a thriving private hospital known for advanced surgical procedures, personalized care, and high standards of patient safety. Yet, what truly distinguishes him is his parallel role in the government healthcare system. Despite the demands of managing a

private facility, he dedicates significant time to serving in a government hospital—treating patients who often lack access to specialized care. This dual commitment, undertaken without the lure of financial incentives, reflects a deep-rooted medical altruism that prioritizes the collective good over personal gain.

His philosophy is grounded in the belief that healthcare is a fundamental right, not a privilege reserved for a select few. This conviction has shaped every step of his career, influencing his decision to offer affordable treatments without compromising quality. Through this approach, he bridges the gap between the latest medical advancements and underserved communities, ensuring that modern surgical interventions remain within reach for those who need them most.

Colleagues and peers often describe him as a soft-spoken but resolute professional whose integrity drives every decision. His patients—whether from urban centres or remote villages—consistently speak of the compassion and respect with which they are treated. For many in economically disadvantaged areas, he is more than just a skilled surgeon; he is a symbol of hope, a figure who refuses to let financial limitations dictate the quality of care.

Beyond his hospital duties, he has been an active force in community healthcare outreach. He regularly conducts free health camps, organizes awareness programs, and facilitates surgical aid for those unable to afford treatment. These initiatives are not isolated acts of charity but part of a continuous mission to extend healthcare beyond institutional walls. In addition, he mentors young doctors, instilling in them a strong sense of ethical responsibility and the importance of empathy in medical practice.

Balancing private practice with public service is not without its challenges. Time pressures, administrative complexities, and the sheer demand for medical attention require a delicate equilibrium. Yet, he navigates these demands with a steady commitment to his dual mission. His persistence demonstrates that it is possible to achieve professional excellence while upholding a broader sense of social duty.

Over the years, his dedication has earned him deep respect both within the medical fraternity and among the communities he serves. In an era when healthcare is often overshadowed by commercialization, his work stands as a reminder of the profession's core values—compassion, accessibility, and service to humanity.

By seamlessly merging private-sector innovation with public-sector service, he offers a working model for a more inclusive and humane healthcare system. His career is a testament to the idea that true success in medicine is not measured solely by surgical outcomes or financial performance, but by the lasting difference made in people's lives.

For aspiring doctors, his life story serves as a powerful inspiration: a call to combine technical mastery with moral responsibility, and to see medicine not only as a career but as a lifelong commitment to the public good. Through his work, he has redefined the role of a modern surgeon—proving that one can excel in private practice while remaining deeply rooted in the service of society.



# Mrs. BHARTI MADHOK

*Mrs. Bharti Madhok – A Lifelong Champion of Holistic Education and Social Transformation*

Mrs. Bharti Madhok, Vice Chairperson of the Sunbeam Group of Educational Institutions, is a visionary educator who has dedicated over 45 years to transforming education in Varanasi and beyond. Her tireless commitment and compassionate leadership have made Sunbeam a beacon of excellence—where learning is not limited to academics, but deeply rooted in joy, values, inclusivity, and holistic development.

It all began in the holy city of Varanasi, where Sunbeam started its journey of building temples of learning in the city of temples. Under her leadership, this single spark grew into a vibrant educational movement. Today, Sunbeam encompasses 8 schools, 4 hostels, 2 women's colleges, and a meaningful philanthropic endeavor—illuminating various corners of the “City of Light.” Beyond Varanasi, this radiance extends to 16 districts across Eastern Uttar Pradesh, with educational edifices of excellence shaping the lives of over 35,000 students, grooming them to become the flag bearers of a progressive India.

Mrs. Madhok's core belief—that “a happy child learns best”—has redefined what education looks and feels like in Sunbeam institutions. Her special focus on pre-primary education has led to the creation of cheerful, engaging environments where young children eagerly step into school, beginning their academic journey with laughter, curiosity, and love.

Driven by her passion for holistic child development, she has ensured that Sunbeam offers unmatched parallel curriculum opportunities. Students are encouraged to explore and excel in music, arts, sports, entrepreneurship, and leadership, alongside academic pursuits. This well-rounded approach has produced gold medalists in sports, national achievers, and confident, compassionate individuals prepared to thrive in a changing world.

Equally impactful is her commitment to social responsibility. Through a singular yet significant philanthropic initiative—the Karsana Gramin School—Mrs. Madhok has extended the gift of education to rural children. Here, students receive free books, uniforms, quality Education, and vocational skills training such as farming techniques and seed preservation—empowering them to contribute meaningfully to their communities.

In 2013, she pioneered the establishment of the Sunbeam Autism Centre, a first-of-its-kind initiative in the region. The Centre offers educational intervention, therapies, and inclusive learning programs for children with autism, reflecting her belief that every child, regardless of their challenges, deserves dignity, opportunity, and growth.

A strong advocate of women empowerment, Mrs. Madhok has turned Sunbeam into a force for transformation by creating thousands of job opportunities for women. From teaching and school leadership to administration and mentoring, women are at the heart of the Sunbeam story. The two women's colleges under her guidance have gifted society with Rafale fighter pilots, gold medal-winning athletes, educationists, social workers, and management professionals—strong, empowered women shaping India's future.

Recognized nationally for her contribution to education, Mrs. Madhok has received prestigious honors, including the “Women of the Year Award” by Hindustan Times (2012) and the “Lifetime Achievement Award” by Education World (2017). Mrs. Bharti Madhok, our esteemed Vice Chairperson, is now being honoured with the prestigious Woman of Substance Award 2025 by the Times Group! This well-deserved recognition celebrates her visionary leadership, unwavering dedication, and transformative impact in the field of education. Her legacy continues to grow—not just in infrastructure or accolades, but in the countless lives she has touched.

With her guiding belief in discovering “the smart child in every child,” Mrs. Bharti Madhok continues to inspire generations of students, educators, and changemakers. Her journey from the ghats of Varanasi to the hearts of 16 districts stands as a powerful example of how education, when rooted in joy and purpose, can illuminate a nation.





## JAIDEEP SINGH

### Sukhjinder Memorial Public School: A Legacy of Education and Leadership

In the evolving educational landscape of India, few institutions manage to strike a balance between heritage and innovation. Sukhjinder Memorial Public School, established in 1997 in memory of Late S. Sukhjinder Singh Gill and Mrs. Manjinder Kaur Gill, has emerged as a distinguished institution that combines tradition with progressive educational practices. It stands today as a beacon of holistic learning and nation-building, embodying the transformative power of visionary education.

The foundation of the school was deeply rooted in the belief that education should extend far beyond academics. The founders envisioned an institution that would not only produce skilled professionals but also nurture compassionate citizens and responsible leaders. This guiding philosophy continues to influence the institution's policies and teaching methodologies, ensuring that it

remains aligned with the dynamic needs of Indian society. By fostering inclusivity and democratizing education, the school has created a diverse and vibrant campus where students grow intellectually, socially, and morally.

At the heart of the school's reputation lies its commitment to academic excellence. The faculty, carefully selected for both their expertise and passion, integrates traditional methods with modern pedagogy. Classrooms are equipped with ICT tools, while project-based learning and interdisciplinary approaches encourage curiosity and analytical thinking. Field visits, practical modules, and experiential learning initiatives ensure that students gain insights beyond textbooks, preparing them for the complex challenges of the 21st century. This adaptability and focus on inquiry-based education have made the institution a leader in shaping innovative and independent thinkers.

Equally important to the school's philosophy is the emphasis on co-curricular activities. The institution believes that the true measure of education lies in comprehensive development. Students are encouraged to explore their talents in debating, dramatics, arts, and music. These platforms foster creativity, confidence, and communication skills, enabling learners to grow as well-rounded individuals. The sports infrastructure is another pillar of pride, offering state-of-the-art facilities across multiple disciplines. Students are trained rigorously, instilled with values of teamwork, resilience, and discipline, and have gone on to achieve recognition at national and international sporting events.

The impact of the school is perhaps best reflected in the success stories of its alumni. Graduates of Sukhjinder Memorial Public School have established themselves across diverse fields worldwide. Many serve in the Indian Armed Forces, carrying forward the spirit of leadership and sacrifice. Others thrive in business, multinational corporations, academia, and public service. Regardless of their chosen path, they consistently reflect the values of integrity, responsibility, and excellence imparted during their time at the school. Their achievements stand as a testament to the institution's role in shaping not just careers but character.

Beyond academics and co-curriculars, the school is also deeply engaged in social upliftment. Scholarships and support initiatives ensure that deserving students from varied backgrounds gain access to quality education. By fostering empathy and a sense of responsibility, the school encourages learners to contribute meaningfully to their communities, thereby strengthening its mission of nation-building.

As India advances into an era of innovation and global competitiveness, institutions like Sukhjinder Memorial Public School demonstrate the importance of education rooted in values yet attuned to modern demands. By cultivating leaders, visionaries, and socially responsible citizens, the school not only secures the future of its students but also contributes to the progress of the nation.

Celebrating nearly three decades of excellence, the institution continues to uphold the legacy of its founders while preparing the next generation for challenges and opportunities on a global scale. Sukhjinder Memorial Public School remains more than an educational institution—it is a legacy in motion, a symbol of transformative learning, and a guiding light for the future of Indian education.



# Dr. PANKAJ THANVI

Dr. Pankaj Thanvi: “MSME - Technology Leader of the Year 2025”

Dr. Pankaj Thanvi, a visionary in the field of digital literacy, has spent the last 25 years revolutionizing the technological landscape of Western Rajasthan. Through his pioneering organization, Cybertech, he has touched thousands of lives, bridging the digital divide in some of the most remote and underserved regions of the country. Recognized with the title of “MSME – Technology Leader of the Year 2025,” he stands as a shining example of how technology can be harnessed as a tool for social transformation.

From the very beginning of his career, he understood the critical importance of digital literacy in shaping a modern, inclusive society. With a strong belief that access to digital knowledge should not be restricted to urban centers or privileged communities, he established initiatives that have since provided computer education to more than 25,000 individuals. His work has not only introduced thousands to the basics of digital technology but also created opportunities for employment, self-reliance, and empowerment in areas that had long been deprived of such access.

One of the defining features of his mission has been his commitment to inclusivity. Each year, Cybertech continues to offer free computer education to thousands of individuals who would otherwise be unable to afford it. Many of these beneficiaries are women, young people, and economically disadvantaged groups who now possess the skills to navigate a rapidly digitizing world. In doing so, he has not only addressed the skill gap but also enabled thousands to secure meaningful employment and contribute productively to their communities.

Equally notable is his emphasis on women’s empowerment. By encouraging women to embrace digital skills, he has opened pathways for financial independence, entrepreneurship, and professional growth. In a society where women in rural areas often face significant barriers to education and employment, his programs have acted as a catalyst for change, helping them move beyond traditional roles and take active control of their futures. His work in youth development has also been particularly impactful, inspiring younger generations to harness digital technology not just as consumers but as innovators and leaders of tomorrow.

Over the years, his vision has expanded beyond education alone. Recognizing that technology can be a powerful driver of social progress, he has consistently worked towards integrating digital solutions into everyday life in rural Rajasthan. His initiatives in free education for the underprivileged reflect a larger philosophy: that knowledge is the foundation of empowerment and that access to learning should never be limited by geography or economic status.

Colleagues and beneficiaries alike describe him as a leader who combines compassion with an unrelenting drive for excellence. His consistency, humility, and ability to adapt technology to grassroots realities have set him apart as a pioneer. Commenting on his achievements, peers note that his efforts represent “a rare blend of compassion, leadership, and dedication to realizing the vision of Digital India.”

Dr. Thanvi’s recognition as “MSME – Technology Leader of the Year 2025” is not just a personal accolade but also a testament to the transformative power of his work. His contributions demonstrate how technology, when applied with empathy and foresight, can break barriers, uplift communities, and create a more inclusive and progressive nation.

As India continues its journey toward becoming a digitally empowered society, the role of leaders like him becomes all the more crucial. His journey stands as an inspiration for policymakers, educators, and social entrepreneurs alike—showcasing that true leadership lies not only in innovation but in ensuring that innovation benefits all.

Through his decades of service, Dr. Pankaj Thanvi has become more than just a technology leader; he has become a beacon of hope for thousands in Western Rajasthan and beyond. His legacy is one of empowerment, inclusivity, and the unwavering belief that digital literacy is not a privilege, but a right for all.





## Mr. MIHIR JHAVERI

*Mihir Jhaveri: Driving Innovation and Strategic Transformation in the Tech Industry*

With over 25 years of experience in the technology sector, Mihir Jhaveri has built a career defined by innovation, strategic thinking, and transformative leadership. From his early days at Cambridge Solution to his current role at Ace Infoway Ltd, his journey reflects a deep understanding of technology's evolving landscape and its intersection with business growth.

He began his career at Cambridge Solution, quickly developing expertise in IT solutions and client management. His skills were further refined at HCL Technologies, where he managed large-scale technology solutions and services, gaining insight into global markets and aligning technological innovation with strategic business objectives. His professional path also included key roles at Bristlecone in both the USA and India, and at Evosys, where he deepened his knowledge of international business strategies and high-level decision-making.

His entrepreneurial capabilities came to the forefront when he led his own consulting firm, advising organizations such as Dev Technology Ltd and Space O Technologies Pvt Ltd. In these roles, he helped companies implement operational strategies that fueled measurable growth. This experience prepared him for his leadership position at Ace Infoway Ltd, where he was tasked with steering the company through a pivotal period of transformation.

At Ace Infoway, he encountered a significant challenge: stagnating sales in a core service area, with traditional offerings losing their competitive edge. Recognizing the urgency for change, he initiated a comprehensive market analysis to uncover emerging trends and evolving customer needs. His research pointed to an increasing demand for AI-driven solutions that delivered not just data management but actionable insights.

Seizing the opportunity, he led the development of AI-enhanced services in collaboration with startups specializing in artificial intelligence, predictive analytics, and machine learning. This strategic shift introduced innovative, integrated solutions that resonated with clients seeking smarter technologies. By aligning sales, development, and marketing teams around this new vision, and ensuring unified messaging and execution, he facilitated a smooth transition that revitalized the company's offerings.

The results were striking—a 30% increase in revenue within a year, fueled primarily by the new AI-enhanced services. The turnaround not only diversified revenue streams but also boosted client acquisition and retention, positioning the company as a forward-thinking leader in the industry.

His ability to maintain a competitive edge stems from strategies that combine technological foresight with market responsiveness. At Ace Infoway, he cultivated a culture of continuous innovation, integrating emerging technologies such as AI, machine learning, and blockchain into product development. Strategic partnerships with industry leaders and startups expanded the company's capabilities, while a customer-centric approach—featuring regular feedback loops, personalized solutions, and flexible pricing models—ensured high satisfaction and loyalty.

Data-driven decision-making has been central to his leadership style. By leveraging market analytics, he anticipated industry trends, refined marketing strategies, and aligned product development with future demands. This proactive approach enabled the creation of seamless customer experiences and higher conversion rates across multiple sectors.

Equally important to his leadership philosophy is fostering a collaborative and empowering workplace culture. He encouraged contributions from employees at all levels, ensuring that innovative ideas influenced the company's strategic direction. His skill in managing change was evident in the successful rollout of new product lines and the expansion into untapped markets.

Despite his professional success, he remains mindful of maintaining balance in a fast-paced industry. Advocating for flexible work environments, realistic deadlines, and effective delegation, he has not only reduced personal workload but also advanced the professional growth of his team.

For him, success is measured not only by financial performance but also by team development, retention rates, and organizational culture. Through his vision and commitment, Ace Infoway continues to thrive as a leader in the technology space, poised for sustained innovation and growth.



# ADITYA CHAUHAN

*Aditya Chauhan: Transforming Lives Through Smart Investment Strategies*

In the dynamic world of finance and wealth management, Aditya Chauhan, Managing Director of Aditya Chauhan Wealth Pvt. Ltd., has spent the last 17 years building a reputation as a trusted advisor and financial strategist. His work extends beyond investment portfolios and balance sheets—it reflects a mission to empower individuals to think bigger, embrace disciplined financial planning, and secure their futures through long-term, goal-based strategies.

Over nearly two decades, he has transformed lives across Uttar Pradesh and Delhi-NCR, guiding families toward lasting financial stability. Many of those who turned to him had never considered the true power of structured investment planning. Through his mentorship, they learned that wealth creation is not merely about saving, but about making money work efficiently over time.

Born to Shri Chandra Pal Singh Chauhan and the late Smt. Santosh Chauhan, he grew up with values of discipline and determination.

Today, his family includes his wife, Rajni, daughter Pragya, son Arjun, and younger brother Abhay, who, alongside his wife Priyanka, now works with him after a decade-long corporate career as an HR manager. Together, they form a strong support system that complements his professional pursuits.

His journey into finance began in Delhi, where his interest in the stock market and investments took root. Inspired by global icons such as Warren Buffett and India's own Rakesh Jhunjhunwala, he envisioned a career dedicated to helping people create and sustain wealth. Over time, he developed a distinctive approach—educating clients about the value of discipline, patience, and strategic foresight in financial planning.

Recognizing that financial awareness in India remains limited, he has worked tirelessly to bridge the knowledge gap. To strengthen his expertise, he pursued multiple professional certifications, including Chartered Retirement Advisor, Chartered Debt Advisor, Chartered Financial Goal Planner, Qualified Personal Finance Professional, and AMFI-registered Mutual Fund Distributor. Additionally, he holds diplomas in Financial Planning, Trust and Estate Planning, and Portfolio Management. His professional affiliations with the Foundation of Independent Advisors (Mumbai) and the Association of International Wealth Management of India (Mumbai) underscore his credibility in the industry.

Over the years, his work has earned recognition from leading institutions. He has received appreciation awards from Kotak Asset Management, Aditya Birla Capital, Franklin Templeton, and the Life Insurance Corporation of India, further cementing his position as a respected figure in wealth management.

He often illustrates the significance of smart investing with simple yet impactful examples. A ₹25 lakh investment yielding 6% annually over 25 years may grow to ₹1 crore. However, the same investment at 12–13% could compound to nearly ₹5 crore—a transformative difference that can secure the financial future of the next generation. For him, such comparisons highlight the critical importance of choosing the right strategies and advisors.

His philosophy on wealth creation extends beyond personal success. He believes that being a responsible parent involves more than providing education and values—it includes leaving behind a strong financial foundation. Just as a charioteer guides the path of a warrior, he sees a skilled financial advisor as essential in helping families navigate the complexities of investment decisions.

In his view, the role of an advisor is similar to that of Lord Krishna guiding Arjuna in the Mahabharata—providing clarity during uncertainty, instilling discipline, and reinforcing long-term vision. He frequently cautions against relying on unverified advice from friends or relatives, urging people instead to consult certified professionals who can balance risk and reward with structured planning.

To him, true wealth creation is a continuous process requiring discipline, foresight, and adaptability. By encouraging individuals to go beyond conventional goals of comfort and security, he inspires them to aim higher and make their resources work harder. His message remains clear: if individuals plan responsibly and pass on financial wisdom to their children, the outcome will not only strengthen families but also contribute to a more prosperous nation.

Through his work, he continues to demonstrate that wealth management is not just about accumulating assets—it is about building legacies, shaping futures, and empowering generations.







## DEBJANI ASTRO PALMIST

*Bakshiddha Debjani: A Life Shaped by Resilience and a Calling to Serve*

Bakshiddha Debjani's life stands as a remarkable example of resilience, self-reliance, and an unwavering commitment to helping those in need. Coming from a modest family background, she has risen to become a respected name in astrology and palmistry, driven by an unshakable belief in the power of perseverance and service.

She was raised in a humble household where resources were limited, but the values of hard work and determination were abundant. From an early age, she understood the importance of making the most of what little was available. Her natural curiosity and determination to overcome personal challenges were paired with an equally strong desire to create opportunities for others.

Her formative years were shaped by empathy, born from firsthand experience with hardship. She saw those around her—friends,

neighbors, and loved ones—struggling with life's difficulties, which instilled in her a lasting commitment to support others. This compassion became the foundation of her professional and personal philosophy.

Despite financial constraints, she refused to allow her circumstances to dictate her future. From a young age, she developed a deep interest in astrology and palmistry. With limited means, she turned to the local library, spending countless hours studying the works of renowned authors such as Kairos and Benham. By 1989, at the age of just 20, she began practicing astrology, armed with extensive self-taught knowledge and an innate ability to connect with people.

Her early foray into the field was marked by a clear mission—to use her skills to help others navigate challenges and find clarity. Over time, her consultations became known not only for their accuracy but also for their compassion. She understood that astrology and palmistry were not merely predictive tools, but also a means of emotional support, guiding individuals toward confidence and self-awareness.

Over the past 35 years, she has built a career rooted in trust, empathy, and precision. Her clientele spans diverse backgrounds, drawn by her reputation for blending traditional astrological knowledge with a modern, people-centered approach. She remains deeply committed to the principle that professional expertise must be matched by personal integrity and a genuine concern for those she serves.

Even as her reputation grew, she never lost sight of her origins. She attributes her success to the same qualities that sustained her through hardship—resilience, independence, and a steadfast commitment to her values. Each consultation, for her, is more than a professional engagement; it is an opportunity to honor the purpose that inspired her to enter the field.

Her journey from a self-taught enthusiast to a respected practitioner is a testament to the power of perseverance. She has continually demonstrated that one's background does not determine one's destiny, and that dedication, learning, and empathy can build a career that positively impacts countless lives.

Today, she remains a source of guidance and inspiration not just for her clients, but for anyone aspiring to overcome limitations and pursue their passion. Her life story is a reminder that with determination and a genuine desire to serve, it is possible to transform personal struggles into a driving force for meaningful change.

Bakshiddha Debjani's path has been defined by challenges met with courage and successes achieved through steadfast purpose. Her work continues to illuminate the lives of others, proving that resilience, when paired with compassion, can become a powerful force for transformation.



# Dr. TAPAS KUMAR SAR

Dr. Tapas Kumar Sar is widely recognized as a visionary in pharmacology and medical innovation, with a career spanning more than two decades marked by groundbreaking research and global recognition. He has made significant contributions to the fields of pharmacology, functional foods, and natural therapies, establishing himself as one of India's most respected scientists. His work uniquely bridges traditional knowledge with modern medical research, offering safer, natural, and effective healthcare solutions that have a profound impact on global well-being.

He began his academic journey with a relentless pursuit of knowledge, qualifying for ICAR in 2002 and earning early recognition with the Young Scientist Award in Gujarat, presented by the then Prime Minister of India. His expertise expanded through rigorous doctoral research, postdoctoral studies, and international collaborations, positioning him as a globally acknowledged authority in pharmacology. In addition to his doctoral accomplishments, he has pursued multiple Master's degrees and fellowships, including the prestigious INSPIRE Fellowship by the Department of Science and Technology. His work in veterinary pharmacology, natural plant-based innovations, and functional foods has placed him at the forefront of sustainable medical solutions.



A hallmark of his career has been pioneering research into natural plant-derived antioxidants, nutraceuticals, and functional foods. His discoveries have demonstrated remarkable potential in combating conditions such as viral infections, MRSA endocarditis, and cardiovascular diseases. By leveraging the bioactive compounds of natural herbs, he has contributed significantly to preventive healthcare and immune resilience. His research gained additional prominence during the COVID-19 pandemic, emphasizing the role of herbal therapeutics in boosting immunity and reducing reliance on synthetic drugs. His studies on *Ocimum sanctum* (Tulsi) were widely cited in international academic and clinical research, highlighting their therapeutic significance.

Beyond his research, he has played a pivotal role in mentoring young scholars and researchers. His guidance spans universities and research institutions, where he inspires emerging scientists to explore innovative approaches in pharmacology and medical sciences. He has contributed editorially to international journals such as *Matuss Systems* and *USAB*, underscoring his commitment to advancing scientific dialogue on a global scale. His work has been recognized internationally, with invitations to present at prestigious platforms, including the International Travel Grant at the World Congress in Beijing, China, in 2013. Among his accolades are the Nelson Mandela International Peace Award, Rashtriya Gaurav Award, Bharat Excellence Award, and the International Star Author Award 2025. Kennedy University in Paris further honored him with a Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) in Environmental Science and One Health Leadership, cementing his position as a global leader in environmental health and medical innovation.

Despite his extraordinary achievements, he remains humble and grounded. He has publicly remarked on social media, "I do not know why I am a public figure," reflecting his modest approach. Yet, his presence in academic circles, media, and online platforms demonstrates the extensive influence of his work, inspiring thousands worldwide. Recognized on Google Scholar and Academia.edu, his research continues to have a transformative impact.

His legacy extends beyond awards and recognitions; it lies in the tangible improvements his research has brought to healthcare practices and preventive medicine. By integrating traditional medicinal knowledge with modern pharmacology, he is redefining approaches to sustainable and accessible healthcare. Looking ahead, he envisions a future where natural and safe therapies play a central role in global medical practices. From a passionate scholar to a globally recognized scientist, his journey continues to inspire researchers, medical professionals, and students alike, emphasizing the power of dedication, innovation, and visionary thinking.

Dr. Tapas Kumar Sar exemplifies a life devoted to scientific advancement, mentorship, and the promotion of natural, effective healthcare solutions, leaving an enduring impact on pharmacology, environmental health, and medical innovation worldwide.



## AARAV KRISHNARTY

### Reimagining Eldercare: The Inspiring Journey of Aarav Krishnatry

In an era where healthcare innovation often emphasizes technology and infrastructure, Aarav Krishnatry has chosen a path rooted in empathy, tradition, and community-centered change. A young public health advocate and student researcher, he has emerged as a strong voice for eldercare, memory health, and rural health equity in India. His inspiration stems from a deeply personal experience — his grandfather's battle with Alzheimer's disease — which became the foundation of his lifelong mission to reimagine how societies care for their aging populations.

Motivated by this personal connection, he founded Project Nana, an initiative dedicated to addressing the silent but urgent crisis of eldercare in rural India. Through this platform, he works to bridge the gap between medical science, public health delivery, and cultural traditions, ensuring that elderly citizens, particularly in underserved regions, receive dignified and accessible care. His vision is not limited

to immediate interventions but extends to creating sustainable, community-driven models of support that respect cultural values while embracing modern healthcare strategies.

His work stands out because of its multidimensional approach. On one hand, he is actively engaged in neuroscience research, exploring new insights into memory health and cognitive decline. On the other, he focuses on grassroots healthcare delivery, working closely with local communities to design initiatives that are both practical and culturally sensitive. This dual commitment ensures that scientific advancements are translated into meaningful, real-world impact for vulnerable populations.

One of the hallmarks of his work is his ability to integrate technology and policy into eldercare. He advocates for the use of digital tools to improve early diagnosis, track health outcomes, and provide support to caregivers. Simultaneously, he engages in policy research and analysis, emphasizing the need for government-backed frameworks that prioritize elder health in national agendas. By doing so, he has positioned himself not only as a practitioner but also as a policy influencer, pushing for systemic reforms in how India perceives and addresses aging.

At the heart of his advocacy is the belief that eldercare must be both compassionate and culturally rooted. He emphasizes that while technology and modern medicine are invaluable, they must be aligned with local traditions, values, and social structures. This perspective resonates strongly in rural India, where cultural connections often define the quality of life in old age. By blending innovation, empathy, and tradition, he has built a model that speaks to both the scientific community and the people it seeks to serve.

His contributions have not gone unnoticed. As a Young Social Impact Leader in Healthcare, he has been recognized for creating pathways that combine education, research, advocacy, and community service. His work has inspired students, healthcare professionals, and policymakers to reconsider how aging populations are supported. Many view his journey as a blueprint for the future of compassionate healthcare leadership — where science and humanity walk hand in hand.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, he continues to mentor peers and younger advocates, encouraging them to engage in social impact initiatives. His efforts underscore the importance of youth leadership in solving pressing healthcare challenges. In him, the next generation of changemakers finds a role model who demonstrates that passion, persistence, and empathy can indeed create tangible transformations.

As he looks ahead, his mission remains clear: to build a healthcare ecosystem where the elderly are not overlooked but are instead treated as repositories of wisdom, deserving of dignity, care, and respect. Through Project Nana and his ongoing research, he envisions a society where aging is embraced as a meaningful stage of life, supported by both modern innovation and timeless compassion.

In a world often preoccupied with speed and progress, Aarav Krishnatry's journey is a reminder that true progress lies in how we care for those who once cared for us. His work continues to shape the narrative of healthcare in India, proving that even the most complex challenges can be addressed when empathy meets innovation.





# Dr. A.V. SRINIVASAN

A Tribute to Dr. A.V. Srinivasan: A Lifetime Dedicated to Advancing Neurology in India

Dr. A.V. Srinivasan, an eminent neurologist from Chennai, has spent over five decades shaping the field of neurology in India through his exceptional service, visionary leadership, and deep commitment to education and research. His contributions span patient care, academic excellence, professional mentoring, and institutional development, earning him a place of honour not only in India but also on the global stage.

In April 2024, he became the first Indian to be honoured with the General Neurology 2024 Award by the American Academy of Neurology, a distinction that reflects his pioneering work and far-reaching impact on the field. The same year, he was conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Scientific Laurel in recognition of his outstanding contributions to neurology and his tireless dedication to improving patient outcomes. These prestigious honours mark milestones in a career defined by innovation, service, and unwavering integrity.



Throughout his professional journey, he has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to patient welfare. For over 625 consecutive weeks—spanning more than 12 years—he has offered free medical care, medicines, and food to over 90,500 patients. This remarkable endeavour reflects a rare blend of compassion and perseverance, earning him deep respect among colleagues, patients, and the broader community. His approach to healthcare exemplifies the principle that medicine is not just a science, but also a profound service to humanity.

In addition to his clinical excellence, he has made invaluable contributions to academia. His scholarly output includes over 125 research papers and presentations delivered at both national and international conferences. These works have enriched the global understanding of neurological disorders, treatment protocols, and emerging practices. As an author, he has published 40 books—12 in Tamil and 28 in English—bridging the gap between complex medical knowledge and public understanding. Through his writings, he has not only educated future generations of neurologists but also empowered patients and caregivers with accessible and practical information.

His influence extends well beyond his individual achievements. As a mentor, he has played a formative role in shaping the next generation of neurologists in India. He was the first neurologist to earn a Ph.D. in neurology from The Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University, and under his guidance, five neurologists have attained doctoral degrees. His leadership in fostering academic excellence has helped establish a culture of rigorous research, critical thinking, and ethical practice among emerging medical professionals.

Over the course of more than 50 years, he has served Madras Medical College with distinction—as a student, faculty member, professor, and emeritus professor. His dedication to the institution and its mission of excellence in medical education is widely acknowledged. He has also played a prominent role in advancing professional bodies. During his presidency of the Indian Academy of Neurology (IAN) in 2017, he facilitated a landmark Memorandum of Understanding between the Association of Indian Neurologists in America (AINA) and the IAN, strengthening global ties and creating new opportunities for collaboration.

His contributions to nurturing talent have been further underscored by his role as a jury member for 12 consecutive years for the TYSA Award, which recognizes India's best postgraduate talent in neurology. His discerning evaluation and encouragement have inspired countless young doctors to strive for distinction in their field.

The legacy of Dr. A.V. Srinivasan is one of service, scholarship, and inspiration. His lifelong dedication to advancing neurology has improved countless lives and elevated the standards of care, research, and education in India. His work continues to inspire not only neurologists but the entire medical fraternity, reminding all that true excellence lies in combining knowledge with compassion, and innovation with service. His remarkable journey serves as a beacon for future generations committed to building a healthier, more humane world.



## PRIYANKA BHISE

Priyanka Bhise, a Mumbai-based artist specializing in abstract painting and resin art, has steadily carved a niche for herself in the world of contemporary art. From a childhood passion for colors and canvas to becoming an award-winning professional, her journey reflects dedication, creativity, and an unwavering belief in the power of artistic expression.

For her, painting has never been just a hobby but a language through which emotions, thoughts, and visions find form. Deeply influenced by the works of legendary artist M.F. Husain, she has drawn inspiration from his bold strokes and storytelling through abstraction. Over time, she has developed a distinctive style of her own, marked by geometric forms, interwoven lines, and layered shapes that invite viewers to pause and reflect. Each canvas offers a fresh perspective, allowing individuals to interpret meaning through their own emotional lens.

Her style is not confined to a single medium. Alongside her work in abstract painting, she has explored resin art, which adds depth and dimension to her creations. Resin, with its glossy textures and vibrant effects, allows her to push artistic boundaries, blending modern techniques with traditional inspirations. The outcome is a body of work that is both visually striking and emotionally resonant.

Her contributions to the field of art have not gone unnoticed. In 2024, she was honored with the prestigious Power of Women Award for her excellence in painting and her impact as a creative force. The same year, she also received the International Achievers Award, a recognition that validated her efforts to elevate abstract and resin art onto larger platforms. Such accolades underscore her commitment to the craft and her ability to inspire others through her journey.

At the heart of her artistic vision lies a simple yet powerful mission: to connect with audiences across the world. She envisions her paintings not just as decorative pieces but as experiences—portals that open doors to introspection and appreciation of beauty in abstract forms. She hopes that, through her art, people can embrace the richness of imagination and the emotional dialogues it can spark.

Equally passionate about collaboration and community, she continues to share her work with art enthusiasts, collectors, and fellow creators. She believes art thrives in spaces of connection, where ideas and inspirations can be exchanged freely. Whether through exhibitions, commissioned projects, or personal interactions, she welcomes opportunities that allow her work to reach wider circles.

Her journey is a testament to how an early passion can evolve into a lifelong pursuit of excellence. From her first brushstrokes as a child to her recognition as a professional artist, she has remained committed to authenticity and innovation. Today, her creations are not merely paintings; they are reflections of a vision that transcends boundaries and cultures.

As she continues to experiment with new mediums and techniques, she stays rooted in her core philosophy: that art is not confined by rules but elevated by freedom of thought. Her works embody this belief, standing as vivid reminders of the transformative power of creativity.

For audiences in India and beyond, she represents a new wave of contemporary artists who are redefining how abstraction is perceived and celebrated. Through each piece, she extends an invitation to step into a world of color, form, and emotion—a world she continues to bring to life with passion and purpose.



# Prof. DR M. WALI

( MD. FACC (USA), FRCP (GLASGOW))

Prof. (DR) M. Wali, Padma Shri awardee and one of India's most distinguished physicians, has devoted his life to advancing medicine, saving lives, and raising awareness about pressing health concerns. A graduate and gold medalist from GSVM Medical College, Kanpur, Dr. Wali earned his MD in Medicine there as well and went on to become one of the most celebrated alumni of Kanpur University. His early brilliance was evident as he secured distinctions in all subjects during MBBS, along with the Chancellor's Medal for Best Student and Best Thesis in MD (Medicine). Over the years, his extraordinary journey as a physician, teacher, and researcher has been marked by countless accolades, but above all, by his unwavering service to humanity.

Dr. Wali's professional path began when he joined the Central Health Service (CHS) in 1980, where he worked tirelessly before moving to Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi, where he continues as a senior consultant. His academic pursuits and commitment to excellence led him to write 124 research papers in national and international journals and contribute to over 20 textbooks on cardiology, medicine, and hypertension. His research on renovascular hypertension at the Mayo Clinic between 2004 and 2006 remains a milestone in his career. He has also promoted Ayurveda and chaired the committee on AYUSH at the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, embodying his integrative approach to medicine.

Honoured with a Doctor of Science degree from Germany, Dr. Wali has been awarded fellowships from the American College of Cardiology, the University of Michigan, and most recently, the Royal College of Physicians, Glasgow. His contributions earned him the Presidential Gold Medal of the Indian Red Cross, presented by Bharat Ratna Shri Pranab Mukherjee. Among his many awards are the prestigious Indian Red Cross Medal, the Medical Ikon Award, multiple "Best Specialist" recognitions by the Union Health Minister, and Lifetime Achievement Awards in 2017, 2019, and 2024. His crowning achievement, however, is the unique honour of serving as the personal physician to three Presidents of India—R. Venkataraman, Dr. Shankar Dayal Sharma, and Pranab Mukherjee—as well as treating former Prime Minister V. P. Singh. Few physicians can claim such a rare trust and responsibility.

Even with these distinctions, Dr. Wali remains deeply committed to public health issues. Recently, his voice has been at the forefront of raising awareness about Sudden Cardiac Death (SCD), an alarming condition increasingly affecting India's youth. Once thought to be confined to the elderly or chronically ill, SCD now strikes athletes, actors, professionals, and even schoolchildren—often without warning. "Dil T Pagal Hai," as he poignantly titled his note, highlights how lifestyle changes, stress, poor diet, lack of physical activity, and post-COVID complications have combined to make seemingly healthy individuals vulnerable.

Medically, SCD can be triggered by myocardial infarction, arrhythmias like ventricular fibrillation, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, and even rare conditions like Commotio Cordis or Kounis Syndrome. Genetic predispositions—such as those seen in Romano-Ward or Brugada syndromes—further underscore the hidden risks. Post-COVID complications, including polycythemia and microclotting, have introduced new dimensions to the problem, with thromboelastography (TEG) emerging as a critical diagnostic tool.

India's demographic reality makes this crisis even more urgent. With over 7 million annual deaths in the country, SCD is estimated to account for more than 700,000 fatalities each year, many of them among the economically productive age group. A recent Indian study noted that more than half of the victims had no conventional risk factors. The loss of well-known figures like actor Rituraj Singh, singer KK, journalist Rohit Sardana, and international sports stars such as Luis Tejada and Zhang Zhijie has drawn public attention, but the tragedy extends silently to countless ordinary families.

Dr. Wali emphasizes that prevention must be multifaceted. Lifestyle changes—such as balanced intake of antioxidants, Omega-3 fatty acids, and natural anti-inflammatory compounds like curcumin and resveratrol—are critical. Walking in natural surroundings, forest bathing, intermittent fasting, and minimizing processed foods can strengthen cardiovascular resilience. At the same time, awareness of early symptoms such as chest pain, unexplained breathlessness, sweating, or fainting must be heightened, especially since women often present with subtler signs.

Equally important is timely emergency response. Administering CPR and deploying an automated external defibrillator (AED) within minutes can save up to 40% of lives. Countries experimenting with drone-delivered AEDs have shown promising outcomes, and Dr. Wali advocates for similar innovations and public training in India. His call extends beyond hospitals to schools, offices, and communities, making cardiac safety a shared responsibility.

Today, as a senior consultant at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Dr. Wali continues his dual mission—providing world-class medical care while also raising awareness about preventable health crises. His present focus on tobacco harm reduction further reflects his proactive approach to tackling lifestyle-related risks. With decades of service, a legacy of awards, and an unmatched dedication to patient care, Prof. (Dr.) M. Wali embodies the role of a physician as healer, teacher, and guide.

At a time when sudden cardiac deaths are on the rise and non-communicable diseases continue to burden society, his words pose a sobering yet necessary question: What exactly is happening to our hearts—and why?







## DEBABRATA SAHA

*Business Acumen Propels Saha Udyog Foods into the Global Spotlight*

Debabrata Saha, a 25-year-old entrepreneur from a small town in West Bengal, India, has risen as one of the country's most promising business leaders, transforming his family's modest food manufacturing firm into a globally recognized brand. Born into a family with deep roots in the food industry, he recognized the untapped potential of the business and embarked on a journey that would not only reshape his own future but also inspire a generation of young entrepreneurs.

His educational journey began at The Scholar and Delhi Public School Siliguri, where he completed his schooling. Driven by an ambition to make a mark in the business world, he pursued a Bachelor's in Business Administration (BBA) at Inspiria Knowledge Campus in Siliguri. To further strengthen his expertise, he went on to obtain an MBA from Leeds Beckett University in the United Kingdom. Equipped with a strong academic foundation and exposure to modern business

practices, he returned to his hometown to take charge of his father's small firm and give it a new direction.

With a clear vision and unwavering commitment to growth, he implemented strategic reforms that elevated the company to new heights. Drawing on both his education and international exposure, he introduced innovative marketing strategies focused on brand positioning and product line expansion. Recognizing the importance of consistency and quality, he invested in cutting-edge technology and stringent quality control systems to ensure his products met global standards. Through determination and meticulous planning, he successfully built a robust distribution network that spans both domestic and international markets.

Forging alliances with distributors, retailers, and e-commerce platforms, he ensured that his products reached consumers across continents. His ability to adapt to diverse cultural preferences enabled the brand to resonate with customers worldwide. Today, Saha Udyog Foods stands as a testament to his entrepreneurial drive. The company offers a wide range of products, including Ashwani Soya Chunk, Shahi Lachaa, Lachaa Loose, Roasted Sewai, Maharaja Sewai, Sooji, Papad, Resham Sewai, and Vermicelli. What began as a humble venture in West Bengal has now achieved international recognition and left a mark on the global food industry.

His journey underscores the transformative power of education, passion, and perseverance. Even as he continues to expand his brand's reach, he remains committed to delivering products that delight customers while maintaining affordability. Beyond business, he has also prioritized Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), contributing to initiatives aimed at improving the welfare and living standards of underprivileged communities. His efforts include delivering medical assistance to those in need, providing scholarships and educational funding for students, and establishing safety nets for vulnerable groups.

He firmly believes that access to good food should not remain the privilege of the affluent alone. With this philosophy, Saha Udyog Foods has entered the food and beverage market with the mission of making nutritious, high-quality packaged food affordable for all. His vision is clear: in a rapidly developing economy with expanding middle-class communities, everyone deserves the opportunity to enjoy wholesome food without compromise.

The company's products reflect extensive research and a strong commitment to quality. By sourcing the finest ingredients from around the globe, the brand ensures exceptional taste and reliability for everyday consumers. The product line has been carefully designed to offer full meal options, making it both convenient and satisfying for households worldwide.

His story serves as a reminder that with knowledge, determination, and vision, extraordinary success is within reach. In transforming his family's small business into a global name, he has not only set an inspiring example for aspiring entrepreneurs but also demonstrated the immense potential of Indian businesses on the world stage. Today, he continues to inspire young innovators to dream big, strive for excellence, and believe in the power of perseverance.

# Er. SUDHIR KUMAR SAHU

*Er. Sudhir Kumar Sahu: Bridging Engineering Excellence with Literary Prowess*

Er. Sudhir Kumar Sahu, currently serving as Additional Chief Engineer at the Hirakud Dam Circle, Burla, Odisha, stands as a rare example of an individual who has excelled equally in engineering and literature. Born on October 9th, 1965, he has devoted more than three decades to the Department of Water Resources, Government of Odisha, while simultaneously building a global reputation as an accomplished author. His career reflects a remarkable blend of technical expertise, intellectual curiosity, and a passion for sharing knowledge.

A graduate in Civil Engineering from the erstwhile College of Engineering & Technology, Bhubaneswar (1988), now OUTR; he further pursued an M.Tech in Structure from Karnataka State Open University in 2014. His journey in public service began in 1994 as an Assistant Engineer, and over the years, he rose through various senior roles. Today, he holds the significant position of Additional Chief Engineer at the Iconic Hirakud Dam, the world's longest earthen dam and one of India's most vital water resource infrastructures. His work has been central to the design, execution, and maintenance of key irrigation and water resource projects across Odisha.

While his professional contributions to engineering are immense, his literary accomplishments are equally noteworthy. He has authored 23 books published on Amazon, spanning two distinct yet impactful genres: mythology and stock market education. His mythological works, including *The Portfolio of Mythological Events* and *The Portfolio of National & International Events*, delve into cultural narratives with fresh perspectives. On the financial side, he has simplified complex market strategies in books such as *Heiken Ashi Candles*, *Ichimoku Clouds*, *Fibonacci Retracement & Golden Ratio*, and *Mastering Straddles & Strangles in Options* etc. These publications have reached readers across 13 countries, including the USA, UK, Germany, Australia, and Japan etc., establishing him as both a technical expert and a global financial educator.

His professional dedication is further reflected in his active involvement with more than 15 engineering and scientific organizations. He holds lifetime or fellow memberships with reputed institutions such as the Indian Water Resources Society, Indian Association of Hydrologists and life member of Indian Concrete Institute, Institution of Engineers (India), Indian Society of Remote Sensing, and the International Association for Small Hydro etc. These affiliations highlight his continuous engagement with contemporary developments in engineering and water resource management.

The recognition he has received over the years underscores his dual impact in both engineering and finance. His honors include the Rashtriya Gaurav Samman (2024), Kalinga Gaurav Samman (2025), Amar Utsav Felicitation (2024), International Icon Award (2025), and International Grandeur Award, his achievements gained further prominence with three significant awards: the Desh Ratna Award at Kamani Auditorium, New Delhi; the Global Apex Award at Hyatt Hotel; and the Bharat Pratibha Samman Award in 2025, all of which affirmed his national and international stature. He is also selected for Asia International Award for "Asia's Best Writer in Stock Market" to be conferred on 6th Jan2026 at Kochi.

Balancing the responsibility of managing one of India's most important water infrastructures while authoring more than twenty one books in finance is a testament to his discipline and passion. His literary works make complex ideas accessible, whether in the stock market—where he has provided invaluable insights to young professionals and first-time investors—or in mythology, where he bridges ancient wisdom with contemporary thought. His ability to communicate intricate concepts in a lucid and engaging manner has earned him a loyal readership worldwide.

His journey exemplifies the possibility of excelling across disciplines in a world that often demands specialization. By merging science, literature, and public service, he embodies innovation, service, and lifelong learning. He is not only shaping India's infrastructure but also enriching public understanding through education and cultural exploration.

In every sense, he represents a visionary whose contributions extend beyond his immediate profession. Whether through strengthening water resource management, fostering financial literacy, or deepening cultural awareness, his work continues to inspire, educate, and uplift society. His legacy stands as a bridge between engineering and literature, proving that excellence across fields is both possible and profoundly impactful.





## SWATI MUNJAL

*Swati Munjal: Writing to Heal, Inspire, and Transform*

Swati Munjal is a passionate writer and a strong advocate of mindful living, whose work reflects her unwavering belief in the transformative power of positivity. As the author of two inspiring books—*Teaspoons Full of Love and Positivity* and *Tales of Victory Over Self*—she has carved a niche in motivational literature, particularly focusing on empowering children to develop emotional resilience.

Her books are deeply rooted in real-life experiences and aim to help young readers build strength, empathy, and adaptability while navigating life's inevitable challenges. Each story serves as more than just a tale—it is a guiding light that encourages children to embrace gratitude, compassion, and courage, even in the face of adversity. She believes literature can be a powerful companion for children, not only entertaining but also shaping their emotional well-being.

Describing her writing process as intuitive and almost spiritual, she often says that the words come to her as though by magic. To her, writing is less about crafting and more about channeling messages from a higher consciousness. She views herself as a messenger entrusted with the responsibility of sharing insights that can uplift lives and transform perspectives.

Her dedication to children extends beyond her books. She regularly conducts interactive sessions at schools, where her ability to connect with young minds makes learning engaging and meaningful. These sessions are not confined to academics but focus on values, emotional balance, and mindfulness—lessons that children often carry with them long after.

Beyond her literary endeavors, she remains committed to social causes. She is actively associated with the Cancer Society for Children, demonstrating her compassion by donating the entire proceeds from her books to support young patients in need. For her, writing is not only a personal calling but also a vehicle for change and service.

At the core of her mission lies a vision: to continue writing stories that transcend age and audience, inspiring children, parents, and individuals alike. Through her words, she seeks to nurture hearts, uplift minds, and spread hope. Each page of her work resonates with her belief that positivity is not just an attitude but a way of living—a force that can heal, empower, and transform lives.

Her journey as a writer is not defined by accolades alone but by the impact she leaves on her readers. Whether it is a child finding strength in a story, a parent discovering new ways of instilling resilience, or a reader gaining courage during challenging times, her work continues to touch lives in subtle yet profound ways.

In an age where stress and uncertainty often cloud young minds, her efforts serve as a reminder that mindful storytelling can be an anchor of strength. By blending life lessons with heartfelt narratives, she has emerged as more than an author—she is a mentor, a guide, and an advocate for conscious, compassionate living.

Through her books, sessions, and philanthropic work, Swati Munjal has set an inspiring example of how words, when written with sincerity and purpose, can truly change lives. Her unwavering commitment to positivity and service makes her not just a writer, but a beacon of hope in today's world.





# SUBIMAL DAS

## A Sculpture of Eternal Love: The Story of Subimal Das and Tapas Sandilya

In an extraordinary display of devotion, retired civil servant Tapas Sandilya from Kolkata has immortalized his late wife, Indrani, through a life-like silicon statue. Commissioned at a cost of ₹ 25 lakh, the 30 kg figure, adorned with gold jewellery, now occupies a sofa at the very spot in their Kaikhali residence where the homemaker once loved to sit. The unusual tribute has drawn the attention of neighbours and visitors alike, capturing both admiration and curiosity.

Sandilya, who lost his wife on May 4, 2021, after nearly four decades of marriage, said the decision to commission the statue stemmed from a wish expressed by Indrani years earlier. During a visit to the ISKCON temple in Mayapur, the couple had marveled at the life-like statue of the order's founder, A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami. It was then that Indrani mentioned her desire for a similar statue should she pass away before her husband. "I have fulfilled my wife's abiding wish," he said, recalling their conversation with deep emotion.



Several months after her passing, he began searching for an artist capable of bringing this vision to life. His search eventually led him to noted sculptor Subimal Das in early 2022. Das, in his mid-40s, is widely recognized for creating silicon replicas for museums across India, but he admitted this assignment was unlike any other. "Keeping Sandilya's sentiment in mind, it was absolutely necessary for the statue to capture realistic facial expressions," he explained. Using photographs of Indrani taken from multiple angles, he first crafted a clay model that served as the base for fibre moulding and silicon casting.

The project was not without its challenges. Relatives and family members initially opposed the idea, arguing against the installation of such a life-like image of the deceased. However, Sandilya's determination eventually prevailed, and the family accepted his decision. For Das, the task was painstaking. The grafting of hair alone took nearly a month, as he incorporated subtle grey streaks to enhance the statue's authenticity. He even collaborated with the tailor who once stitched Indrani's clothes to ensure the body measurements were exact. The final work was dressed in a silk sari from Assam, the very one Indrani wore during their son's wedding reception.

For Sandilya, the statue is more than art—it is a presence that helps him cope with loss. Recalling the darkest days of the pandemic, he shared, "I was in isolation at home while Indrani was taken to a hospital in Kolkata. I can never forget that moment when I could not accompany her. Now I live with her sculpture."

For Das, this commission stands as one of the most meaningful of his career. Since establishing SUBI-India Creative House in 2007, he has built an impressive body of work, producing life-like sculptures and replicas for prestigious institutions including the Rashtrapati Bhavan Museum in New Delhi, the Punjab Hero's War Memorial, the Mother's Wax Museum in Kolkata, the Ambedkar Memorial in New Delhi, and the Verasat-e-Khalsa Museum in Punjab. His contributions extend across India—from science centres in Dharwad and Mangalore to cultural landmarks like the Ranjit Singh Panorama Museum in Amritsar and Nathdwara Museum in Rajasthan.

Born in 1976, with a degree in visual arts from the Indian College of Arts and Draftsmanship, he has been recognized with numerous honors, including the Mother Teresa International Award 2025, Bongo Purush Award 2025, and the Indian Glory Award 2025 for excellence in craftsmanship. His reputation as one of Kolkata's finest creative artists continues to grow, blending technical skill with emotional sensitivity.

What began as a personal act of remembrance has now become a story that transcends personal grief, reflecting both an extraordinary expression of love and the unparalleled skill of an artist. While for Sandilya, the statue is a source of solace, for Das, it is a landmark in a career dedicated to bringing human emotions to life through sculpture. Together, their collaboration has given shape to a story that will be remembered not only as a testament of enduring love but also as an artistic achievement of remarkable depth.



## Dr. ASHMITA BANIK

**Dr. Ashmita Banik: A Rising Force in Clinical Microbiology and Medical Research**

In the ever-evolving landscape of global healthcare, professionals like Dr. Ashmita Banik stand as beacons of innovation, dedication, and scientific rigor. With a strong academic foundation and an unwavering commitment to advancing medical science, Dr. Banik is steadily leaving an indelible mark in the field of clinical microbiology.

After earning her MBBS degree from Tripura University in 2016, Dr. Banik pursued higher specialization in Clinical Microbiology, completing her MD in 2022 from Government Medical College of Tripura under the same university. Her academic journey reflects a blend of discipline, intellectual curiosity, and determination to serve both science and society. She further honed her expertise by undertaking senior residency at Government Medical College of Arunachal Pradesh, where she gained hands-on experience in managing complex infectious disease cases. Currently, she serves as an Assistant Professor at Sri Devaraj Urs Medical College (SDUMC), under the Government of Karnataka, where she continues to balance her roles as a clinician, researcher, and educator.

Dr. Banik's clinical and research interests encompass bacteriology, virology, parasitology, and mycobacteriology—disciplines crucial for the accurate diagnosis and management of infectious diseases. Her innate curiosity about microbes and their intricate role in human disease manifestation drives her to explore overlooked and emerging pathogens. She is particularly drawn to neglected tropical diseases, an area that often lacks adequate research focus despite its profound impact on vulnerable populations.

During her postgraduate training, Dr. Banik encountered a rare case of chronic hookworm infection (*Ankylostoma duodenale*) in an elderly farmer—an eye-opening experience that underscored the need for constant vigilance in clinical diagnosis. Such cases reinforced her investigative approach and commitment to bringing neglected conditions into scientific and clinical discussion. Another landmark contribution from her clinical practice was her involvement in diagnosing Acute Necrotising Encephalopathy in childhood associated with dengue. With only three to four cases reported across India, including one by Apollo Hospital in West Bengal, her contribution added crucial insights into a condition that combines viral infection with severe neurological outcomes.

One of her significant contributions to medical research has been in tuberculosis (TB). While working in a TB laboratory, she observed a disturbing trend where non-tubercular mycobacterial (NTM) infections were being misdiagnosed and treated as tuberculosis. This misdiagnosis often led to prolonged patient suffering due to inappropriate treatment regimens. Recognizing the seriousness of this issue, Dr. Banik presented her findings at TRIMACON 2021 under the aegis of the Indian Medical Association (IMA), receiving recognition for her insightful work. Her further research on extrapulmonary and pediatric tuberculosis in the northeastern state of Tripura has enriched medical literature from a region that is frequently underrepresented.

Her dedication to infectious disease research expanded into studying antimicrobial susceptibility patterns at a tertiary care center in Arunachal Pradesh, offering valuable insights into the growing global crisis of antibiotic resistance. She also made noteworthy contributions to understanding the *rpoB* gene mutation in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, which earned her the prestigious International Best Researcher Award at IIRAC 2024.

Her excellence in virology research has also been recognized on international platforms. She was honored with the Young Achiever Award 2024 for her extensive research on monkeypox, a disease that reemerged significantly in the post-COVID era. Her publication on the morphology and clinical patterns of monkeypox was widely acknowledged by the international medical community, serving as a guide for further studies and preparedness strategies.

Beyond her clinical and research endeavors, Dr. Banik actively contributes to academic publishing. She has authored multiple articles in reputed journals, including the *Scholars Journal of Medical Case Report*, *International Journal of Advance Research*, *Indian Journal of Medical Microbiology*, and the *Journal of Clinical Microbiology*. Her role as a peer reviewer for several international journals, including those under the Springer Nature group and Asian medical publications, highlights her expertise and dedication to maintaining the integrity of scientific literature.

Her achievements have been further recognized with the Early Career Researcher of the Year award at the Asian Excellence Awards 2024. She is also an active member of the Indian Academy of Tropical Parasitology, underscoring her involvement in specialized areas of medicine and research.

What truly distinguishes Dr. Banik is her intrinsic motivation to serve humanity through science. Whether diagnosing rare infections, advocating for accurate treatment protocols, or investigating overlooked pathogens, her work consistently reflects a patient-centered approach. She embodies a rare blend of clinical acumen, research excellence, and academic mentorship, making her not only a valuable contributor to medical science but also a source of inspiration for peers and budding researchers.

As she continues to push boundaries in clinical microbiology and infectious disease research, Dr. Ashmita Banik exemplifies the promise of a new generation of medical professionals. Her journey is a testament to perseverance, intellectual rigor, and compassionate service—qualities that ensure her contributions will resonate far beyond the laboratory and clinic, impacting public health in India and across the globe.

# Prof. Dr. KARPAGAVEL CHANDRABOSE

Prof. Dr. Karpagavel Chandrabose stands as a prominent figure in the realm of advanced surgical care, widely respected for his expertise as a General and Laparoscopic Surgeon. With over 16 years of dedicated experience, he has built an outstanding reputation for precision, innovation, and patient-centered practice. Holding an MBBS and MS in General Surgery from RMMCH, he has also pursued specialized training in minimal access surgery from the World Laparoscopy Hospital and other globally recognized institutions, sharpening his mastery of cutting-edge techniques.

His surgical journey has been enriched by mentorship under legendary figures in the field, including Prof. Pradeep K. Chowbey and Prof. M.C. Misra. Since 2009, he has been proficient in both upper and lower gastrointestinal endoscopy, further strengthening his capability to provide minimally invasive solutions for complex medical conditions. This skill set has positioned him at the forefront of a surgical landscape that increasingly demands procedures with reduced recovery times and enhanced patient comfort.



Currently serving as Professor and Unit Chief in the Department of General Surgery at Velammal Medical College Hospital, he plays a pivotal role in shaping the next generation of surgeons. His responsibilities extend beyond the operating room, encompassing teaching, research, and mentoring. As an examiner for both undergraduate and postgraduate medical students, he ensures that future practitioners uphold the highest standards of medical excellence.

His academic contributions are equally noteworthy. With eight publications in internationally indexed journals, his research spans critical topics such as hernia repair, appendicitis, and liver hemangiomas. These works have not only contributed to the academic discourse but have also offered practical insights that influence surgical practices globally.

The excellence he brings to medicine has been recognized through a series of prestigious honors. Among them are the INSC Best Teacher Award, Indian Glory Award, Academic Excellence Award, Best Research Publication Award, International Eminence Award, and the Asian Eminence Award for Excellence in General Surgery in 2020 and 2024. Each award reflects a career defined by skill, dedication, and the relentless pursuit of progress in patient care.

Beyond his clinical and academic achievements, he is a lifetime member of several distinguished medical associations, enabling him to remain at the center of evolving medical knowledge and collaborative initiatives. His ongoing commitment to advancing evidence-based surgery has fueled innovations in day-care surgical practices and refined approaches to minimally invasive procedures.

His philosophy is rooted in the belief that surgical care should combine technical expertise with a deep understanding of patient needs. By integrating advanced technologies, refined techniques, and personalized care plans, he consistently delivers outcomes that align with global benchmarks while ensuring patient well-being remains the top priority.

In the rapidly evolving medical field, he stands as a beacon of progress—balancing tradition with innovation, mentorship with practice, and academic rigor with compassionate care. His colleagues regard him as a dependable leader who not only excels in high-pressure surgical environments but also inspires confidence among patients and peers alike.

Whether in the operating theater, the classroom, or the research lab, his approach reflects an unwavering dedication to excellence. With a vision to continuously refine surgical methods and improve recovery outcomes, he remains a driving force in redefining standards for general and laparoscopic surgery.

In a career marked by precision, innovation, and mentorship, Prof. Dr. Karpagavel Chandrabose exemplifies what it means to lead with both skill and purpose—leaving an indelible mark on modern surgery and inspiring the next wave of medical professionals to push the boundaries of what is possible in healthcare.



# Dr. ANANYA DASGUPTA

## Dr. Ananya Dasgupta: A Beacon of Education, Empowerment, and Social Change

In today's fast-paced world, where mental health and sustainable development have become pressing global concerns, few individuals dedicate themselves as wholeheartedly as Dr. Ananya Dasgupta. A distinguished educator, writer, social reformer, and environmental advocate, Dr. Dasgupta has seamlessly woven her passion for teaching with a vision for community service and nation-building.

### Championing Mental Health and Youth Empowerment

Recognizing the increasing challenges of mental health in today's hectic life, Dr. Dasgupta conducted impactful awareness programs during her tenure as Member In-Charge of Youth Affairs at the All India Women's Conference (AIWC). She inspired countless young minds through her writings—articles, poems, and reports—published in Roshni, the AIWC magazine. Creativity has always been her strength; she designed and composed school magazines like Udaan and Aadhar, composed songs for students, and created hand-drawn cards for annual school functions. Her literary contributions include two books: "Revealing the Unknown World of My Dreams: Journey Beyond Boundaries"—a travelogue, and "AIWC Through the Ages" (awaiting publication).

### Service to the Marginalized

Dr. Dasgupta's compassion extended beyond classrooms into the heart of underserved communities. With the support of the Municipal Corporation of New Delhi, she facilitated the construction of pakka roads in the slums of Anand Vihar, thereby improving living conditions for the residents. She organized health camps, vaccination drives, and tirelessly worked for slum youth, raising awareness on climate action and gender equality. Her mission of education for all led her to take extra classes for school dropouts from early morning till late night. She also educated illiterate maids on eco-friendly practices such as rejecting plastic and segregating waste.

### Innovative Programs and Solar Initiatives

Her leadership extended to national programs of skill development and sustainability. She successfully conducted "Training the Trainer" programs in partnership with Walmart, equipping unemployed youth with skills for opportunities in supermarkets and hypermarkets. As Member In-Charge of Solar Energy, she organized five solar fairs across India and conducted training sessions on assembling and disassembling solar lanterns for women inmates of Dasna Jail, Ghaziabad. These initiatives empowered women with employable skills, ensuring dignity and livelihood after their release.

### Excellence in Education and Music

Dr. Dasgupta's career in education is equally remarkable. She served as both a teacher and Principal in well-renowned CBSE schools, inspiring generations of students. Her unwavering dedication earned her several accolades including the Best Teacher Award (twice), Best All-Rounder Award, and the Best Attendance Award. Her commitment to nurturing talent extended beyond academics, as seen in her recognition at national competitions for essays, debates, and devotional songs.

Adding to her multifaceted brilliance, she was the youngest to have passed Sangeet Visharad (Lucknow) and Sangeet Prabhakar (Allahabad) in Hindustani Classical Music Vocal. Her melodious voice and deep knowledge of classical music earned her merit certificates and widespread recognition for her singing across the country.

### Awards and Global Recognition

Dr. Ananya Dasgupta's contributions have been acknowledged nationally and internationally. She has received prestigious honors such as:

- Super Woman 2025 Award
- Swami Vivekananda Global Peace Award
- Honorary Doctorate Award from Legendary Peace Award Council
- Rashtriya Yogasana Puraskar
- Bharat Gaurav Ratna Shree Samman Award from World Human Rights Protection Commission
- Rashtriya Ashoka Samman
- World Icon Award

Her international recognition includes invitations to represent India at global platforms like the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), UN Women, New York, the World Renewable Energy Congress, Denver, the RIO+20 Conference in Brazil, and the International Alliance for Women, London.

### A Life of Purpose and Inspiration

Balancing her roles as an educator, social worker, environmentalist, musician, and writer, Dr. Ananya Dasgupta embodies the spirit of resilience and leadership. Whether it is taking extra classes for underprivileged children, empowering women with solar technology, championing mental health awareness, or enriching lives through music, her work has consistently focused on empowering communities and creating sustainable change.

Her journey stands as a testament to the power of compassion, education, and vision in transforming society. Dr. Ananya Dasgupta continues to inspire countless individuals—students, youth, women, and music lovers alike—by proving that with dedication and empathy, one can truly be a beacon of hope and progress in today's world.



# Mrs. PRIYANKA KATHAIT

*Priyanka Kathait: Inspiring Women Through Words, Education, and Empowerment*

Priyanka Kathait, originally from Garhwal and now based in Dehradun, Uttarakhand's capital, has emerged as a symbol of resilience, empowerment, and purposeful living. Known for fearlessly addressing life's complexities, she actively engages with individuals to raise awareness on critical societal issues. Her path to becoming an author began after a long search for the right platform to articulate her thoughts. Through writing, she discovered her voice and embarked on a transformative journey dedicated to inspiring others.

Her debut book, *Uplift Yourself as a Homemaker, Fuel Your Wings to Fly*, quickly garnered attention and acclaim, earning her invitations to numerous prestigious award ceremonies, both online and offline. Written against the scenic backdrop of New Tehri, the book draws from her personal experiences and offers an uplifting blend of motivation and practical insights. It seeks to empower women to embrace their potential, build self-confidence, and achieve financial independence. The message has deeply resonated with readers, particularly women striving for personal growth and self-reliance.

Her academic foundation was laid at Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, where she earned a postgraduate degree in Botany and a graduate degree in Education. Beginning her professional journey as a teacher, she devoted herself to shaping young minds. However, her passion for writing led her to transition into the literary world, enabling her to reach and inspire a broader audience. Through her work, she encourages individuals, especially women, to pursue their ambitions with determination and courage.

Her influence extends far beyond her books. In 2023, she was named among Asia's Top 100 Influential Women, a recognition of her ability to inspire and influence through her writing and advocacy. She has received several prestigious awards, including the Women Leader Forum 2023, Women of Substance Network 2023, Asian Education Award 2023, Indian Glory Award 2023, Education Excellence Award 2023, and Golden India Excellence Award 2023. These honors reflect her dedication to empowering others and her impactful presence as both an author and advocate.

Her insights have also been featured on prominent news channels and in well-known publications such as *Diva Planet Magazine* and *Lifestyle Magazine*. Her inclusion in *The Wall of Fame* stands as a testament to her societal contributions. She was honored with the Excellency Iconic Award for Brand Impact of the Year 2023, presented by actress Bhagyashree. Demonstrating her versatility, she participated in Mrs. India Asia 2023 and Ms. India Women of Dignity 2023, using these platforms to further her message of women's empowerment.

In addition to her literary achievements, she has made a significant mark in education. Recognized as one of the Top 10 Teachers in India 2023 by Hindustan Times, she has left a lasting impression on countless students and colleagues. Her dedication to teaching continues to inspire future generations, blending her educational expertise with her commitment to social change.

Her journey reflects a rare combination of resilience, passion, and purpose. Through her writing, public engagements, and educational contributions, she continues to inspire individuals—particularly women—to believe in their abilities, pursue independence, and embrace self-growth. As an author, educator, and advocate, she has created a ripple effect of positive change, proving that one determined individual can influence countless lives.

Priyanka Kathait stands as a powerful example of how vision and dedication can break barriers, ignite transformation, and empower generations to come.





# MADHUPARNA ANDREWS

Madhuparna Andrews: A Journey of Leadership, Inclusion, and Inspiration

*“The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education.”*  
– Martin Luther King Jr.

Madhuparna Andrews, Principal of P. B. Academic School, Kolkata, is widely recognized as a visionary educationist and reformer. With over two decades of service in school education, inclusion, and community outreach, she has established herself as a leader who believes education must empower every child, regardless of ability or background. Her journey reflects not only personal resilience and scholarship but also an unwavering commitment to transforming education into a vehicle for social good.

Armed with a Master’s degree in History and Education, she built her career on a strong academic foundation. Over the years, she expanded her expertise with distinctions in Counselling and Guidance, Educational Management, and Human Resource Development. Her global outlook was shaped by international certifications in Autism Awareness and ASD Training, equipping her to address diverse learning needs. Currently pursuing a PhD in Special Education at OP Jindal Global University, her research focuses on preparing teachers for inclusive practices under India’s National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Her contributions extend beyond administration into academic research. Two of her papers—“Parental Challenges in Homeschooling Special Needs Children under NEP 2020” and “Inclusion Without Preparation: A Crisis of Self-Efficacy in Classrooms”—are set for publication in reputed Scopus-indexed journals. These works highlight pressing issues in special education, advancing critical discourse in the field.

Her leadership took a transformative turn in 2022 when she established the Inclusive Education Department at her school. The initiative created tailored support for children with ASD, ADHD, SLD, ID, and other neurodiverse conditions. Through Individualised Education Plans (IEPs), occupational therapy, and enrichment programs in art, music, sports, and vocational training, she ensured that inclusion became a lived reality rather than an abstract policy. Beyond the classroom, she launched parent counselling sessions, peer-support initiatives such as the “Buddy Up” program, and community awareness events like World Autism Day. Partnerships with organizations including Special Olympics Bharat further reinforced her vision. In her own words, “True inclusion begins not in policy, but in the hearts of educators committed to seeing potential in every child.”

Her belief that schools must extend their role into society is evident in her community-focused initiatives. Under her guidance, the school adopted the motto #schoolthatcares and actively engaged students in year-round social responsibility. From No Plastic Drives in association with Garbage Free India to sapling plantations, food distribution programs like Annapurna ki Rasoi, and visits to old-age homes, her leadership cultivated empathy and civic-mindedness. At the same time, she ensured students received holistic development through NCC programs, Scouts and Guides training, scientific projects, and inter-school cultural fests.

Her expertise has also earned her a place as a respected speaker and thought leader. She has delivered lectures at national conferences on diverse themes such as artificial intelligence in inclusive classrooms, the role of parents in caregiving, and sustainable teaching models for special education. Her keynote address at Kalyani University’s National Conference on women caregivers and skill-building for children with special needs was particularly well-received. She also contributes actively as a member of the Advisory Committee of Special Olympics Bharat, West Bengal, and the Lion’s Club Sanchetna, working on issues of women’s hygiene and health awareness.

Her efforts have been recognized with more than fifteen national honors over the past seven years. Among them are the Swami Vivekananda National Award for Excellence in Education (2024), Principal of the Year (2024), Times of India Edu Shine Award (2023), Best Inclusive School Award (2021 & 2022), and the Tumi Ananya recognition (2023) for exceptional work in inclusivity. Most recently, she was presented with the Transformation Leadership Award (2025) and the Bongo Nari Samman (2025).

From her classroom teachings to her visionary leadership and from policy-level advocacy to hands-on outreach, she embodies the role of an educator in its truest sense. Her journey is not only one of personal achievement but also of societal transformation, inspiring educators and communities alike. As Nelson Mandela once said, “Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” For her, that conviction is not just a belief but a lifelong mission.





# Mr. SHAIK ISHAQ AHMED

Shaik Ishaq Ahmed: Shaping Holistic Education at St. Mark's High School

Shaik Ishaq Ahmed, a respected figure in the field of education, has been instrumental in the remarkable growth and success of St. Mark's High School in Prashanthnagar, Uppal, Hyderabad. Established in 1982 under the St. Mark's Educational Society, the school began with just 16 students and a single teacher. Over the years, under his visionary leadership, it has evolved into a leading institution known for its academic excellence, innovative practices, and commitment to the all-round development of students. Recognized by the Government of Andhra Pradesh in 1995, the school continues to make significant contributions to education and society.

His vision for St. Mark's centers on creating an environment that nurtures both intellectual and personal growth. He advocates for a balanced approach to education, combining rigorous academics with physical, mental, and spiritual development. This philosophy is firmly rooted in core values such as integrity, reliability, independence, equity, sportsmanship, objectivity, and self-reliance—principles that define the school's ethos and guide its educational practices.

Central to his mission is the collaborative engagement of the school's management, dedicated faculty, supportive parents, and the larger community. This partnership is aimed at recognizing and developing each student's unique talents and potential. Through this cooperative approach, St. Mark's fosters a culture that motivates students to excel in academics while also achieving success in extracurricular activities, ensuring their well-rounded development.

The school's motto, "Hold High the Torch," reflects his unwavering commitment to producing individuals who are not only academically capable but also morally grounded and socially responsible. Beyond imparting academic knowledge, St. Mark's emphasizes the cultivation of qualities such as mutual respect, trust, self-discipline, and gracious manners. This holistic character-building approach ensures that students are prepared to face life's challenges with confidence and integrity.

Under his guidance, the school has consistently upgraded its infrastructure to meet modern educational needs. Equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and staffed by a team of passionate educators, St. Mark's provides a nurturing learning environment that supports students' academic, emotional, and social development. Following the SSC syllabus, the school offers classes from Nursery to Grade 10, maintaining a student-friendly ratio with no more than 30 students per section to ensure personalized attention.

Language proficiency forms an important part of the institution's academic framework. Students are given the option to choose Hindi or Telugu as their first and second languages, reflecting his commitment to accommodating diverse linguistic and cultural backgrounds. This focus on multilingual education not only strengthens communication skills but also reinforces cultural appreciation among students.

Beyond the classroom, the school encourages participation in sports, cultural activities, and community service, aligning with his belief that education must extend beyond textbooks. By providing platforms for leadership, creativity, and social engagement, the school equips students with life skills that are essential in today's competitive and interconnected world.

As St. Mark's continues to grow and adapt to the evolving educational landscape, he remains steadfast in his mission to combine traditional values with modern teaching methodologies. His leadership ensures that students graduate not only with academic knowledge but also with the resilience, adaptability, and ethical grounding to succeed globally while staying rooted in India's cultural heritage.

Through his dedication and forward-thinking approach, Shaik Ishaq Ahmed has transformed St. Mark's High School into a model institution—one that stands as a beacon of holistic education, preparing future generations to excel in all spheres of life.



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