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EDUCATION

Degree/Certificate	Institute/Board	CGPA/Percentage	Year
MA Development Studies	Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati	9.6 (Current)	2023-2025
B.A Eng + Psychology	Gargi College, University of Delhi	7.8	2020-2023
Senior Secondary	CBSE Board	96.5%	2020
Secondary	CBSE Board	97.0%	2018

EXPERIENCE

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)

Urban Infrastructure and Smart Cities, May 2024 – Present

- Provided support in all Infrastructure Department initiatives in FICCI.
- Supporting the lead team with background research/ materials/ database.
- Detailed background search for preparing sector-specific reports, as suggested by the team lead.
- Created repository of industry leaders/ organisation/ sector experts to strengthen FICCI network in the real estate and urban domain.
- Support in drafting policy recommendations on various issues towards the creation of conducive policy framework and business environment.
- Support in preparing reports, minutes, and event specific reports by capturing key points of discussions, outcomes and actions in the meeting and conferences.

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Intern, March 2024 – April 2024

- Worked with a community-driven organization, dedicated to tackling gender-based violence within indigenous communities in India through the power of sports, through grassroots initiatives, empowering adolescents/youth, and fostering personal development through football.
- Policy mapping on critical social issues affecting adolescents in India and existing sports policies.

Rotaract Club of Delhi University South Campus

Director of Vocational Services, June 2021 – June 2022

- Volunteered with the National Blind Youth Association, Delhi by conducting vocational activities for the visually impaired.
- Worked as the head volunteer with 'Heal the Globe Foundation' in Gurgaon, distributing meals to underprivileged children.
- Worked with the Beti Foundation, to conduct interactive educational workshops for children living on the streets in Hauz Khas, Delhi on good hygiene habits.
- Led my team to work for the social well-being of marginalized communities, poverty alleviation, children's rights, and education.

PROJECTS

Urban Infrastructure and Smart Cities Project

May 2024 – June 2024

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)

- Part of the organizing team of FICCI's Conference on Business-Friendly Cities (7th Edition of FICCI Cities Summit) alongside the 5th Edition of FICCI Smart Urban Innovation Awards. The conference intends to serve as a common platform for the convergence of key stakeholders for exchange of ideas. Key Discussion Areas: Regulatory Frameworks and Policy Support, Sustainable Mobility Solutions, Smart Street Lighting and other IOT applications

steered towards smarter management of urban cities, and Smart Buildings for Enhancing Sustainability.

Project Seher: “Mind, Body, Soul”

Sep 2021 - Jan. 2022

Rotaract Club of Delhi University South Campus

- This project was launched to spread awareness, eradicate stigma, and address mental health issues. Various events were conducted under this project to mark days such as 'World Suicide Prevention Day' and 'World Mental Health Day' like movie screenings, open mic, dance therapy sessions, and art therapy sessions to spread awareness about a wide range of mental health issues in various interesting formats.

Project Mahila

Oct 2021 - Dec. 2021

Rotaract Club of Delhi University South Campus

- Launched with the aim of spreading awareness related to women's menstrual health and hygiene. A sanitary pad donation drive was organized under this project at Katyayani Orphanage, Delhi to ensure access to safe and hygienic menstrual resources for the underprivileged women of society.

Project Badhte Kadam

July 2021 - Aug. 2021

Rotaract Club of Delhi University South Campus

- This project was launched in collaboration with Edupaper. We organised two collection drives across locations in Delhi NCR wherein we went door-to-door collecting old waste paper and books. The paper collected was later recycled and the new notebooks were distributed to students of Pehchan School, Delhi.

KEY SKILLS

- MS Office – Proficient in Word, Excel and Powerpoint presentations
- Vocational Training
- Social Perceptiveness
- Mental Health Wellness
- Practical Learning
- Articulate Communication

KEY COURSES TAKEN

- **Certificate Course:** Introduction to Philosophy by University of Edinburgh (Facilitated via Coursera)
- **Certificate Course:** Research Methods and Statistics (Udemy)
- **Certificate Course:** Excel Advanced (Udemy)
- **Certificate Course:** Introduction to R Programming: A Beginner's Guide (IIT Guwahati)

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Secretary, Academic Initiatives Club, Gymkhana/Student Council of IIT Guwahati	<i>May 2024 onwards</i>
Member of Cadence, Dance Club of IIT Guwahati	<i>August 2023 onwards</i>
Member of Organising Committee, Graduate Research Meet of IIT Guwahati	<i>October 2023</i>
Director of Vocational Services, Rotaract Club of Delhi University South Campus	<i>June 2021 – June 2022</i>
Member of Enliven, Western Dance Society of Gargi College	<i>Jan 2020 – Jan 2021</i>