

Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP): Two-year fulltime MBA

Anant Ashutosh Sharma

Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP) 2022-2024

Gold Medallist – First Rank Holder



Twenty-six year-old Anant is a Computer Science graduate from Delhi Technological University (DTU) with a Masters in CS from UIUC, USA. Before joining IIMB, he co-founded a Civic-Tech start-up, which is currently operating in over 20 smart cities including Indore, New Delhi, Ahmedabad, etc.

At IIMB, he achieved the first rank in the Director's Merit List and was the Term Topper in all the three terms in the first year. He was awarded three scholarships for academic excellence in the first year. In the National Games 2023 Goa, he won two bronze medals for Delhi in Lawn Bowls. He was the national runner-up at the Reckitt Global Challenge 2023 and was campus winner at IIMB. He was a Sports Council member. He was also invited by ISB to deliver a guest lecture as a start-up Co-founder on sustainable development in smart cities through technology platforms. He represented IIM Bangalore at HEC Paris.

While at IIMB, he was a recipient of the Aditya Birla Scholarship 2023; the Mold Tek Scholarship; Charpak Scholarship of Excellence from French Embassy; Smt Saraswati Kulkarni Prize for Excellence in Entrepreneurship; Smt Parvathi and Sri Vedula Krishnamurthy Scholarship; Director's Merit List Scholarship, and Sports Scholarship from the Delhi Government.

Anant says that MBA at IIMB has been a transformative journey for him, from an academic, professional as well as a personal point of view. "From an academic standpoint, the autonomy in the second year to handpick our subjects was invaluable, which allowed me to pursue my areas of interest. The exceptional faculty ensured that the learning is not limited to theories and frameworks alone. It is great that courses on Generative AI and Responsible AI are also being introduced now. Beyond academics, IIMB pulsates with vibrant events throughout the year, helping us make invaluable connections with industry leaders and alumni. The outstanding sports infrastructure allows us to prioritize our physical fitness."

About his future plans, he says, "I wish to channelize my learnings into being a successful entrepreneur. I am a strong believer of setting up bootstrapped businesses with strong unit economics. My short term focus is on obtaining diverse experience and gain practical skills."

With a strong background in Computer Science, I aim to be engaged in digital transformation strategies of big firms, especially the integration of GenAI. In the long term, I plan to leverage my experience, learnings and skills to carve out a niche for myself in the technology space.”

Anant’s father, an alumnus of IIT Delhi, is a senior official in the Central Government. He is also a guest faculty at multiple institutions including IITs, IIMs and LBSNAA Mussoorie. His mother was a schoolteacher after completing her B Sc, B Ed and MBA, and is an entrepreneur now. His brother is an engineer from DTU and is currently pursuing MBA.