

Jinit Pragnesh Dharia

Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP) 2018-2020

Gold Medallist – Best All Round Performance

The achievements of 25-year-old Jinit, during his time as a student of IIMB, are many. He was the receipt of the Directors' Merit List Award, for being in the top 5% of the batch during the first year. He was associated with the incubation of two ventures at NSRCEL - one being a mushroom packaging start-up named 'Mushpack' and the other was an edtech start-up named 'Safalya Sarthi'. He also represented India at the Global Network Week held by Yale School of Management in United States. He was the national winner of Reliance TUP (Startup Idea Pitch Competition), Nextup (Valuation Competition), and Markician (Marketing Competition). Moreover, he was among the national runners-up at B-Starters (NITI Aayog Entrepreneurship Competition), and YuStart CII. He became the national finalist at Bzzwings (Entrepreneurship Competition), IPO-Q (Stock Pitch Competition), Harvard IIML Strategy Competition, Marico Over the Wall Marketing Competition, and Motilal Oswal Stock Competition. He was one of the campus winners of CFA Research Challenge and HUL Lime Marketing Competition.

Jinit successfully renewed the license of TEDx IIM Bangalore, held the position of organizer and curator of the event managing speakers like Tejasvi Surya. He held the position of Joint Head of Sponsorships for VISTA, the annual business conclave of IIMB, managing 35-plus sponsors. He also authored articles for InsideliIM and Telegraph, and featured in interviews of CNN-IBN and India Today. He had authored poems for the IIMB literary magazine, 'Bits, Bytes and Bakar', as well as a CCS which can be moulded into a teaching case, with Prof. Sai Yayavaram, on telecom sector strategy. Jinit tutored more than 300 students of the junior batch for Financial Accounting and Corporate Finance under the guidance of Prof. R. Narayanaswamy and Prof. Abhinav Anand, over and above being placement mentor and interview mentor for the juniors. He participated in the online learning series (MOOC) under the guidance of Prof. Padmini Srinivasan, focusing on valuation, and conducted valuation of the start-up named Settlers, incubated at NSRCEL (Value - INR 1 cr). He also received Pre-Placement Offer from Reliance Industries, and final placement at Accenture Strategy.

He goes on to say: "As a member of the International Immersion committee, I have managed the immersion activities before and during our visit to the IE Business school, Madrid. I was part of the organizing team for Business Conclave and was also a part of the cultural team during Sparsh, organised by the Alumni Committee. I represented IIMB at The Red Brick Summit – the annual management fest of IIMA. I, along with my teammates, participated in Opstruct – the operations strategy competition. Our presentation on BOUNCE, a bike sharing start-up, was appreciated and we won the competition. We were featured in TOI local edition and were also invited to the BOUNCE office at Bangalore for a presentation. I also participated actively in various cultural events during Sparsh and also hosted segments during the EPGP farewell program. I helped facilitate a session with the deputy Ambassador of India to Spain, at the Indian Embassy, during our internal immersion

at IE Business School. I have also been regularly interacting with the upcoming batch of EPGP 20-21, helping them wherever possible.”

Jinit says that his learning experience at IIMB humbled him. “With a balanced platter of subjects focusing on all verticals of management, to domestic and international exposure on the field through courses and case competitions, I have got a chance to interact with and bond with the best brains of the world.”

His short-term future plan is to opt for consulting as a career, go around the world, and make and implement strategies for corporate enterprises cutting across sectors. His long-term vision is to start his own venture, focusing on social impact.

Jinit’s mother is a teacher, who conducts coaching classes (on no charges basis) for school students. His father, a Chartered Accountant, is the General Manager in an F&B major of Gujarat.

He is the recipient of the DML scholarship of IIM Bangalore.