

**Karan Kumar Agarwal**

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**Gold Medallist – 2<sup>nd</sup> Rank Holder**

Karan Kumar Agarwal (27) hails from Hyderabad. Growing up in a Marwadi business family, it was his mother who constantly inspired him to do well in academics and be independent. He had to shoulder family responsibilities early in life when his father got a paralytic attack 15 years ago, but he managed remarkably well - thanks to the constant support of his mother and his younger sister.

Karan has been performing consistently well in academics at IIMB, featuring in the Director's Merit List at the end of first year, and being selected for Yale School of Management (Global Network for Advanced Management) and for the Exchange term at HEC Paris.

While at IIMB, Karan has actively participated in various business simulation and case competitions organized by multiple corporate enterprises, and made it to the campus and national finals of 28 such competitions. He believes it is the team that matters more than any individual and is thankful to all his group members for his achievements.

IIMB, he says, gave him the opportunity to work closely with various companies while pursuing multiple live projects across different sectors.

He has been a subject representative of at least one subject in each term, coordinating with faculty, students and the Academic Council. He has participated in the 'teach to transform' program of Vikasana - the social impact club of the students of IIM Bangalore, while also undertaking the role of being a subject tutor and remedial mentor across different subjects.

He believes that IIMB has instilled in him the confidence that, with perseverance and discipline, there is nothing that cannot be achieved. He values the various teaching methods deployed here, ranging from conventional lectures to cases and simulations.