Academic Performance: First Rank

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Achievements/highlights while pursuing the programme

- Term Topper in Term 1, Term 2 and Term 5
- ➤ Included in the Director's Merit List for being amongst top 5% of the batch, 2016
- > Topper for Year 1
- National Level 2nd Place Open Innovation Challenge, organized by UC Berkeley (HAAS School of Business), 2016
- Awarded 2nd prize ICICI Direct Virtual Stock competition organized at IIM Visakhapatnam by ICICI Direct team
- Awarded 'Students' Choice Award for Scholastic Achievement' as part of the 1st Foundation Day celebrations at IIMV, January 2016
- ➤ Appreciated for participating in CRISIL Young Thought Leader competition (2015) for submitting his Research and Analysis in the form of a dissertation
- Finalist for on-campus rounds in B-School competitions –
 Metamorphosis (Vista IIMB), Department of Financial Studies (DU), IIT
 Kanpur (Social Pilot)
- 1st Runner Up Syllogize, Intra IIMV case study competition organized by the Consulting Club of IIMV
- Winner, Lenspot (23 entries), a national-level photography contest, organized as part of Samaarambh '17, the first Cultural Fest of IIMV
- Selected as Junior Placement Representative in 1st year to complete the summer placement of 1st batch
- ➤ Elected as Placement Representative in 2nd year to complete summer placement of 2nd batch and facilitate final placements of 1st batch
- Elected as member of 1st official Students' Affairs Council at IIM Visakhapatnam

What do you think of your IIMV learning experience?

An experience that started with a lot of anxiety and nervousness, IIMV has turned out to be one of the best phases in my life. The one-and-a-half years that I spent on campus have made me look at everything in a more systematic manner, question the status quo and be more confident about myself. The struggles of a new college and the challenges we faced, prepared us for the real-life nuances and situations that would come up in corporate life. The hand-picked faculty and the mentorship of IIM Bangalore ensured that we get access to the best education system in India. Being a part of the committees that work for the students, I learnt how to deal with multiple stakeholders. Though IIMV is a new college, the administrative office made sure that

we do not miss out on anything that students in other IIMs are provided with. IIMV has given me opportunities that I never had earlier in life and for that I am forever thankful to IIMV.

Future plans & dreams

I am currently working at one of the big names in the ad-tech space. Technology has always been an area of interest for me. While joining IIMV as well, I had this dream to again join a tech firm in a managerial role. With the advancements in technology, I feel that this sector will always be a booming sector. I wish to be a contributor to some of the biggest technological advancements that will change the course of human progress. It might seem very abstract as of now, but I believe that it just requires a lot of determination to make such dreams come true. Apart from this, I also take interest in photography and wish to take it up as a serious hobby.

Brief family background

Whatever I am today is because of the love and support of my parents. My father, currently a Chief Manager in SBI, has always done his best to make sure that we get the best when it comes to education and facilities. My mother is a homemaker and has been the motivating and guiding force behind all that I could do in life. My sister has just completed her MBBS from Maulana Azad Medical College and is currently preparing for her MD.