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EDUCATION

Cathedral & John Connon School, Mumbai

- International Baccalaureate Diploma Program, Grade 12

- Cambridge IGCSE Board Examination, Grade 10

2012 - Present

2023 - Present

2021 - 2023

STANDARDIZED TESTING:

TOEFL: 102/120 (R:27; L:24; S:26; W:25) (October 2024)

2024

ACADEMIC AWARDS

• Wrote about the threat of environmental degradation to the international community for the

Northeastern University Essay Competition; Awarded £1000 Scholarship

2024

• Hong Kong International Mathematical Olympiad (HKIMO) Bronze

2024

• Philippines International Math and Science Olympics (PIMSO - Math) Silver

2024

• Global Economics Olympiad: Received the grade 'A', qualified for the regional round

2024

• International Finance Olympiad: Received the grade 'A+', qualified for the regional round

2024

RECYCLING INITIATIVES

Founder, The Upcycled Project (<https://www.upcycled.net.in>)

2023- Present

• Co-founded grassroot initiatives aimed at raising awareness regarding sustainable plastic waste management and advocating for upcycling practices through collaborative efforts between communities and private companies

• Led outreach campaigns for the collection of plastic waste collecting over 1500 kgs from 150 buildings of North and South Mumbai; facilitated the conversion of plastic into 8 benches, 10 cupboards and 250 penholders with the help of our recycling partner Aadvikaa CleanTech.

• Contributed a set of cupboards to the Guild of Service Bombay, NGO and Ballygunj Society for Children in Pain, Mumbai and donated benches to the National Service Guard, All Saints Home, and Snehalaya.

• Crafted a fact sheet series and a children's book series as a way of reaching a younger audience; led awareness workshops in NGOs; Organized collection drives of non-biodegradable coffee capsules.

• Featured in the print and online versions of the Indian Newspaper 'Mid-Day' (Published on: 4/12/2024)

Co-founder, Local Medicine Drive (medgive.co.in)

2024

• Co-organized medicine drives in Cathedral and John Connon school, buildings and clubs of South and North Mumbai across 35 communities, targeting over 5000 households and collecting 70 pounds of unused and unexpired medicines; donated to AK Munshi Yojana and Meds for More who further prescribed these at free clinics to people who could not afford medical care.

• Spearheaded the disposal of expired medicines received during drives, using the assistance of the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai with the help of their biomedical waste treatment company.

SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP PURSUIT

Social Entrepreneur, Half Full (The Upcycled Project)

• Launched the 'Half Full' campaign, as part of The Upcycled Project; manufactured and executed the sale of 250 penholders directly to consumers. The proceeds were given to the Guild of Service, NGO.

2024

• Organized Diwali Art Workshops bringing in an expert to help children of Guild of Service to convert coffee capsules into candle stands; sold 30 of these and the proceeds were given back to the NGO.

2024

ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARENESS STUDY

Interviewer and Editor, Interview Series with Sustainable Entrepreneurs

• Launched an interview series about sustainable entrepreneurs in the space of solar panels, hydropower, eco-friendly packaged water, sustainable fashion and art; highlighted their long-term visions in reducing their carbon footprint.

• Documented their journeys, their challenges and successes.

• Created awareness about eco-friendly businesses urging consumers to make better choices.

ENTREPRENEURIAL INITIATIVES

Organiser, Farmers Market

2022

• Conducted a survey, created awareness, and organized a sales channel for farm produce helping farmers sell their products directly to consumers without a middleman as part of a Global Perspectives school team project.

• Organised two Farmers Markets selling over 50kgs of fruits and vegetables, honey, pulses and spices to residents of buildings in Mumbai.

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE AND RESEARCH

Research, "How do interest rate changes influence capital structure decisions among SMEs in the technology sector in the Indian economy?"

• Examined the influence of interest rates on capital structures in SME's in the tech sector through literature review and analysis of existing data.

• Authored a research paper titled "How do interest rate changes influence capital structure decisions among SMEs in the technology sector in the Indian economy?" mentored by Ms. Chhavi Behl, Delhi School of Economics.

- Published in the International Journal of Business and Management Science (ISSN (Online): 2208-2204; Volume 10 Issue 01/05/24)

Observership

Oriental Containers Ltd., Mumbai

2024

Leading in metal and plastic closures in India, Oriental Containers has factories in Goa, Odisha and Murbad.

- Observed the valuation process of Oriental Containers, the negotiation of the price and eventual acquisition by Manjushree Technopack Ltd (owned by Advent International - a Global PE Fund).
- Authored a paper "Valuation of companies - case study Oriental Containers and Manjushree Technopack Ltd (MTL)",
Mentored by Mr. Gaggar CFO of Oriental Containers.

Internships

Ananta Capital, Mumbai

2024

Ananta Capital is an investment management platform focused on partnering with businesses for the long-term

- Currently interning at Ananta Capital, under the supervision of *Mr. Kush Tandon, Director at Ananta Capital.*
- Gained insights into Open Secrets a health food-based portfolio company; learnt the cost-benefit analysis model and analyzed potential areas of investment.

Springwel Mattresses Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai (Distributors of US based Tempur Mattresses in India)

2024

The pioneers in their field, giving consumers "Sleeper Friendly Mattresses" combining comfort with deep down support.

- Interned in the customer services department, shadowed senior employees, sat in strategy meetings and gained valuable insights into decision making and strategic planning; *Summer Intern under Mr. Jinay Jain, Director Springwel Mattresses.*
- Examined how AI can be integrated to improve the efficiency of customer service operations; while outlining its scalability, cost, and operational feasibility.
- Authored a paper "How Sustainability Has Been Achieved through AI for the Growth of Springwel Mattresses Pvt. Ltd."

Summer School

Analytics: The Power of Data for Business, USC Pre College Summer Program

2024

- Completed a college level course covering trends in data analysis through case studies as part of a credit-bearing course.
- Covered data analytics principles, such as tools for obtaining insights, business applications of data analytics, methods for classifying data, and tools for visualizing data patterns.

Future Entrepreneurs Program, by Harvard Student Agencies

2024

- Attended lectures and workshops on entrepreneurship and business creation, covering ideas, branding, and planning; received a certificate of completion.

Online Courses

- **Marketing in a Digital World**, offered by University of Illinois Urbana Champagne; studied the usage of digital marketing tools, technology and their effects on products, also how digital tools are changing pricing, placement and promotion.
- **Global Financial Markets and Instruments**, offered by Rice University; spent four-weeks learning about types of financial assets, elementary financial tools, and organization of financial markets.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Athlete, Football Team, Cathedral & John Connon School

2022 - Present

- Achieved victory in the Anglo-Indian Football tournament, as part of the Under-17 team (August 2022)
- Earned a spot on the Under-19 school team based on performance in tournaments and training (July 2023)
- Secured second place in the ISSO Football tournament, held by JPIF school in Jaipur (October 2023)

Member, Theatre Club, Cathedral & John Connon School

2023 - Present

- Attended weekly sessions for an hour working on techniques such as voice modulation, body-movement and performance under the guidance of Mr. Amay; participated in the CAS showcase playing many different roles such as Caretaker and Bookseller.

Student, Speech Debate India

2021 - Present

- **Sports & Business 2.0**; covered areas such as sports management and debate formats, under Mr. Rajiv Kacholia, Founder Speech Debate India; participated in mock debates at the end of the course.
- **Global Chronicles 4.0**, a module that prepares students for International Debate competitions.
- Joined the NSDA Springboards' tournament; advanced to the quarterfinals receiving honourable mention award.

Member, Nature Club, Cathedral & John Connon School

2020 - 2023

- Joined school nature club and took part in club projects such as plant restoration and awareness campaigns, also understanding the importance of conservation; attended regular meetings under the guidance of Ms. Nigam.

Volunteer, CMUN, Cathedral & John Connon School

2023

- Volunteered with the CMUN Logistics team; helped coordinate participants from other schools and managed communication during the competition.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteering

- **Soldierathon & Fitistan-Ek Fit Bharat** - Assisted as a volunteer for three editions of the Soldierathon Marathons, raising funds for wounded soldiers 2023-24
- **Yasham Foundation** - Taught English and Math to five students every week for an hour each; organised a bake sale under CAS requirements at school; raised \$400 and donated to Yasham Foundation for the children's sports and educational needs. 2023
- **Push India Push** - Helped raise \$5000 through 6 events as a volunteer; impacted 40 soldiers without a limb, at the

Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre for Armed Forces, Pune	2023
● Geeta Seva Soup Kitchen - Made sandwiches and lemonade which was distributed to the underprivileged.	2023
● Heal Foundation - Joined a 6-km run to raise funds to support and create awareness on Child Sexual Abuse.	2023
● Independent - Cooked and distributed food on 25 Sundays impacting 30 impoverished children each time, Churchgate, Mumbai.	2022 - Present

ONLINE COURSES AND COMPETITIONS

Participant, Academic Essay Competitions

● Drafted a speech on global challenges for the Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition	2024
● Explored contemporary political problems for the Minds Underground Essay Competition	2024
● Authored an essay on impact of social media on elections for the Oxford Royale Essay Competition	2024
● Authored an original essay on an economics prompt for the John Locke Global Essay Competition	2024

SKILLS

Computers: Microsoft Office, Mac OS, Basic Python, JavaScript, Java offered by AgilePro	2021
Languages: English (proficient), Hindi (proficient)	

INTERESTS

- Drums, Football, Travel, Flags