

# Reflections



## Silver Jubilee Reunion of the 1988–1992 batch of graduates of SRM Engineering College



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Nikita Hari, who is pursuing a PhD in Electrical Engineering, becomes the first University of Cambridge student and Indian citizen to make the Telegraph's 'Top 50 Women in Engineering' list. Compiled by the Telegraph in collaboration with the Women's Engineering Society (WES), the list features the UK's top rising female stars of engineering. This year's list focused on women aged 35 and under — to highlight and encourage them to become future leaders in the industry.

Nikita, who is undertaking her PhD at Churchill College, was also shortlisted as a 'Forbes 30 under 30 UK Finalist' and 'Hult Prize Finalist' earlier in the year. Nikita said: "I'm incredibly honoured and humbled to be featured in the Telegraph's 'Top 50 Women in Engineering' list in the amazing company of top women engineers in the UK. "It's a matter of pride for me personally to be on this list. Coming from a conventional

background and a developing country like India, I've had to break glass ceilings and shatter many stereotypes to get to where I am now. "I firmly believe that whatever your gender or socio-economic political background, you should find your way, and that self-motivation through my experience and my circumstances have brought me to where I am today." Nikita is now committed to encouraging others, especially young women and girls to pursue their dreams. Her vision to uplift society through education and technology has seen her become Co-founder of two social tech start-ups: Wudi and Favalley.

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*Nikita completed her M.Tech in Power Electronics & Devices from SRM University.*



## Alumni Achievers



Mr. Nitin Garg (SRM Alumni, IT-2010) CEO at BR Softech Pvt. Ltd. was awarded the title of "Best mobile app and game developer in India" by Worldwide Achievers at 7th Business Leaders Summit, India on August 7, 2017 in Mumbai, India



Dr. Ojas Mahapatra was selected for a Prime Minister Business Scholarship award, one of 14 senior executives in New Zealand.

Ojas completed his MS in Nanotechnology at SRM University and PhD at the University of Canterbury. He is the Chief Executive of the Dunedin-based Photonic Innovations Ltd, New Zealand.

Picture: Mr. Bill English, Prime Minister of New Zealand [Left] and Dr. Ojas Mahapatra [Right]

## Alumni Achievers



The team (EnEff) of Kaushal Kothari, Kavya Sravanthi and Neeraj Bhagwatula, Chemical Engineering graduates of the 2013-17 batch (SRM University) and Kartavya Bhola, final year PhD student in the School of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering (NTU, Singapore), won the D-Prize and became "distribution entrepreneurs", or social entrepreneurs who start new ventures that distribute proven life-enhancing technologies to millions of people living in extreme poverty.



SRM has provided me the foundation for my career and life. It has been great pleasure to see the 2-building college grow into an University. Happy to be part of it.  
-Vel Perumal  
(Sundharan CP)

The humble beginnings of SRM provided me the launch pad to be what I'm today. The CS faculty were super friendly, flexible and were the teachers. Privileged to have a touch with Prof. Dr. Appropriate all the support the institution provided.  
-Rajul Pant

I enjoyed a lot to see gates, buses and corridors which had given the foundation for me continuously keep me happy in all environments.  
Now I am excited to see the future growth of SRM  
-P. Sureshwaran

Gave me a lot of good friends. Spent probably the best days of my life. Will always cherish these memories.  
A.S. Raghavella Saig.

SRM was my first stepping stone to my career and some of my first life lessons. My memories of college life are very sweet.  
-Vinnu Shankarman

SRM taught me very good lessons in my life. I am glad that I have chosen right college for my career.  
-SRI Govardha

I am just astounded by the transformation of SRM College to such a big and renowned university. I am proud to have graduated from this esteemed college.  
-Makin

SRM, ever since it has established itself has been imparting quality education generation after generation. Very proud to have been graduated from this university.  
-Anupama

Nice break from routine work, on family responsibility to meet all friend/college mates. Really refreshing and charging self.  
Thank to all  
J. Rajf  
(J. PRADEEP)

I am happy to see you all, Nice thing to involve everyone, thanks to organizers.  
Thanks to all  
MSRf  
(M. SAE PRADEEP)

Good to see all my friends after 25 years. Good Experience  
Thanks  
J. Rajf  
(J. PRADEEP)

Great planning & organizing by the committee members and support by SRM Alumni Directorate. I only wish we meet more often in this format. Wish you all a great success in your life.  
-Leakhi M

Great feeling to be here. Thanks for making this wonderful event.  
-A. Hanumantharasi

Excellent emotional & the class notes of 92 batch. Thanks to the organization committee and college administration.  
-Venkatesh Jagan

It's amazing to see how nice this event is planned and organized. I feel I spend more time (enjoyable) than when I was studying. Meaning, the foundation this college had given me and how it helped me to survive and succeed in struggles of life. Thanks very much.  
-R. Rajf  
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## Alumni Speak...

I am very happy to be part of SRM group. Very good experience we had been sharing. SRM group has grown vast, in different places. Make you very much for the reunion that is set up today.  
-Rajul Pant

I still couldn't believe that we all have come together in the same college after 25 years. I really say thanks to God and pray to give this opportunity again & again in more efforts in our life.  
Thank you for this great occasion.  
S. Sureshwaran

where after 25 years looking back this is the place where all passed out, wild eyes, anxious to make a mark in life. The foundation - this place has given us the wasn't realized until now. When we look back. With all humbleness & gratefulness.  
-Thank you I Jayaprakash  
25/9/17

Very happy to meet great friends after 25 years on this special day.  
It is also wonderful to see how the college has grown into an University.  
Thank you SRM University for providing a good foundation for life.  
P. Rajf for 13/14, 15, 16  
Nirav Shah

I have the same view P/S.  
ref - 8, 10, 12.

Unbelievable. 25 years gone by fast. That my meeting all our friends after a long time is something. Great. I love 1988-92.  
check  
A. Suresh

## Reminiscences of 1988-92 batch alumni at their Silver jubilee reunion

Happy to see everyone. Nice meet friends.  
P. Rajf  
(CIVIL)

I am very very happy to see my all dear friends in this great occasion. It's great.  
K. Viswanathan  
(Mech)

Happy to see you all after a long gap. Nice moment.  
S. Anand, Mechanical.  
Lives in Chennai, ASokNagar.

Great occasion folks. Lovely to see all close friends of college & very poignant fans of your group.  
Kenneth Thomas  
KENNETH THOMAS (M.E)

I feel 25 years young.  
Thanks organizing committee & friends who made it.  
GOD BLESS  
SATHYA





Mr. Ahtesham Molu, an Alumni of SRM University from the Civil department (2013 Batch) addressed the students of SRM University. He qualified for the IES examination in 2016 and was a Project Engineer in the “Yamuna Pollution Control Govt of India”. Mr. Ahtesham also has an incredible record of clearing the GATE examination thrice. Mr. Ahtesham talked about the various career opportunities available for the current generation youngsters. He

elaborated on the methods to prepare for the IES and the GATE examinations and even prescribed the books to follow for the Civil department students. He also narrated on what it is to be a project engineer. His speech was a right mix of humour and information and the students really enjoyed it. Lastly, a doubt clearing session was held where students from various departments flooded Mr. Ahtesham with their doubts. By Abhijith.



## Alumni Lectures



Session by Mr. Sauvik Das Gupta (PhD at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, SRM - E&I 2010) on Artificial Intelligence & How to develop profile

FAREWELL  
BY ANKIT BARAN (2013 EIE)

First day of college  
Full of excitement.  
We gonna be rockstars,  
Gonna make so many friends.  
The fun we had,  
The masti we did  
Those early morning breakfasts  
Which we always missed.  
Before exams, asking  
Who's got the notes  
Running to the backgate  
To get it Xeroxed.  
Never getting outputs  
In those experiments  
After trying fourth time  
Saying, “s\*\*\*\* sab bekarhai instruments”.  
Trying to come early  
To get the lift  
Still seeing a long queue  
Saying, “Oh s\*\*\*\*!”  
Bunking classes

Giving proxies  
Coming late to the class  
And looking for the backseat.  
The arguments we had  
The excuses we made  
Don't know why, suddenly  
Seems so silly today.  
College is over  
But life is not  
Will soon catch up guys,  
No matter what.  
Wherever we are  
Whoever we are  
Doesn't matter to us coz  
We will always be friends, yar!  
Last day of college  
Before getting apart  
Looking into the eyes  
Saying will miss you yar.  
With silent words  
And teary eyes  
The time has come friends  
To say good byes.

## Alumni Contributions

POEM  
BY VIDIT SHAH (2017 CSE)

As the semester 1 came to an end and semester 2 took its place,  
All of us had then officially become a part of the B.Tech race...  
That giggling and hours of laughter were the best,  
Thinking about the mess and its food made me forget the rest...  
That hand cricket between classes in the first row,  
That feeling when you realize that time is moving very slow...  
Those celebrations and mass bunking that made the faces glow,  
Those little enjoyable moments that were created in the flow...  
There were lot of times that needed to be recorded,  
Thanks to the fun and enjoyment ever had with the new batch allotted...  
As the cycle tests and end semesters started becoming crazy,  
The awesome timetable that dragged us from one building to another made us lazy...  
From microprocessors to data structures and algo-

rithms,  
All made us dance on their own rhymes and rhythms...  
But our determination and passion was so evident from our gesture,  
As we took our attitude and the level of awesomeness to greater heights with each passing semester...  
Finally, the day of judgement came,  
Where we all played a game...  
The people who couldn't sit on the chairs when the music stopped were declared out,  
And the others continued to run till the time there was absolutely no doubt...  
Each person did finally win a game and got suitably rewarded,  
As a result of the efforts put in, all did get sorted...  
The college life has certainly been no less than a roller coaster ride,  
Yet it has managed to make us a bit mature and qualified...  
Zindagi toh bohot log jeete hai,  
Par ham dosto ke tareeke zara hatke hai,  
Zindagi 4 dino ki hui toh kya hua,  
Ham 4 dino ka maza ek pal mei sama lete hai...



Inaugural function of AARUUSH 2017 on the 15th of September, 2017.

Chief Guest: Gen.(Dr)V K Singh, he first ever commando in the Indian Army to have been promoted to the General Rank

Yudh Seva Medal, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Param Vishisht Seva Medal are some of the many awards won by Dr. Singh, who is the Minister of State for External Affairs.

SRM ALUMNUS TO BE CHIEF GUEST OF SRM HACKATHON 2017

**Dr. Srinivas Ramaswamy** (1989 CSE), Software Technology Manager, ABB Inc. will be the chief guest at the hackathon organised by IT Association, SRM University.

SRM Hackathon is an impeccable platform that is aimed at testing the inventive, imaginative and technical proficiencies of the participants. At SRM Hackathon, we conceptualize a flawless future by coming up with ingenious solutions to real life problems. Technology is a compulsive and addictive way of life.

Do you walk around your day feeling like you have creative potential that is hidden from the world-unique coding powers that are going unrealized? Here's your chance to shine.

SRM Hackathon invites teams of 2 - 5 with age limit of up to 30 years. Themes of SRM hackathon are:

- Media and Entertainment
- Judiciary
- Food Processing and manufacturing
- Environment
- Rural development
- Transportation

Last date of idea submission: 30th September 2017

Prizes worth 3 lakhs will be awarded to the winners of SRM Hackathon including internships, free on-line courses, etc. This edition of SRM Hackathon also includes various special prizes like Eureka! – Team with the best idea, SheHack – Best Girl Team, Lone Coder – The know-it-all developer and much more.

The Judging Panel of SRM Hackathon will include CEOs of IT companies, entrepreneurs and erudite technicians. The best ones might get a chance for further development and funding. Register at [srmhack.hackerearth.com](http://srmhack.hackerearth.com)

For more queries, contact: +91-7507640066  
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Date: October 6 and October 7, 2017

Venue: SRM University

*We invite contributions for articles/quotes/reminiscences from alumni for the newsletter. Send to [feedback.alumni@srmuniv.ac.in](mailto:feedback.alumni@srmuniv.ac.in)*

*We, at the Directorate of Alumni Affairs, thank all the alumni who took time to come to the campus on a working day to meet and give feedback to the UGC team. We also thank the alumni who couldn't come but offered their support.*

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