

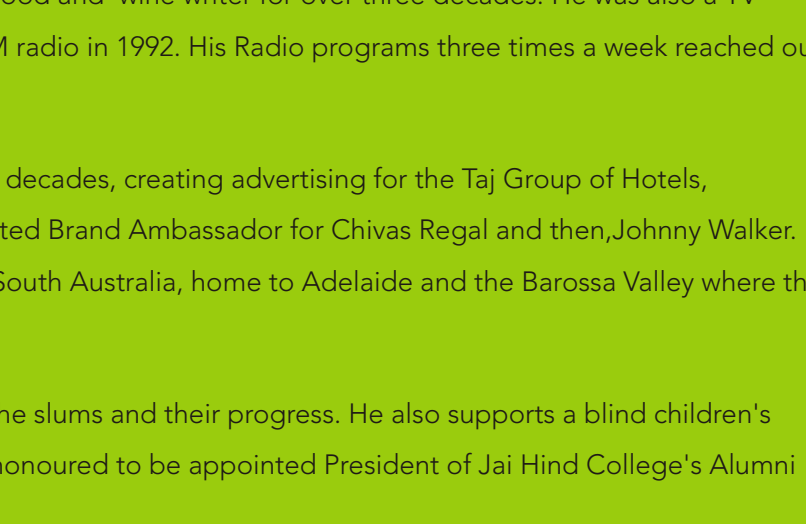
# GREETINGS FROM JAI HIND COLLEGE'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

We hope you enjoy reading this newsletter & look forward to sharing some more of our achievements & stories with you in the next issue.  
For more information, visit our website: [www.jaihindalumni.com](http://www.jaihindalumni.com)



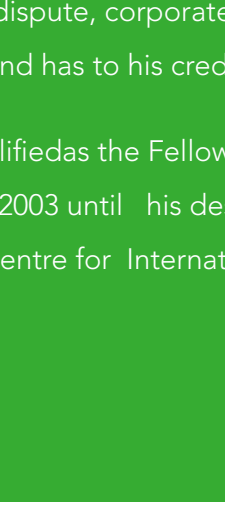
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## KNOW YOUR ALUMNI PRESIDENT

**Mr. Vinod Advani**  
(Jai Hind BSc student 1969-1973)

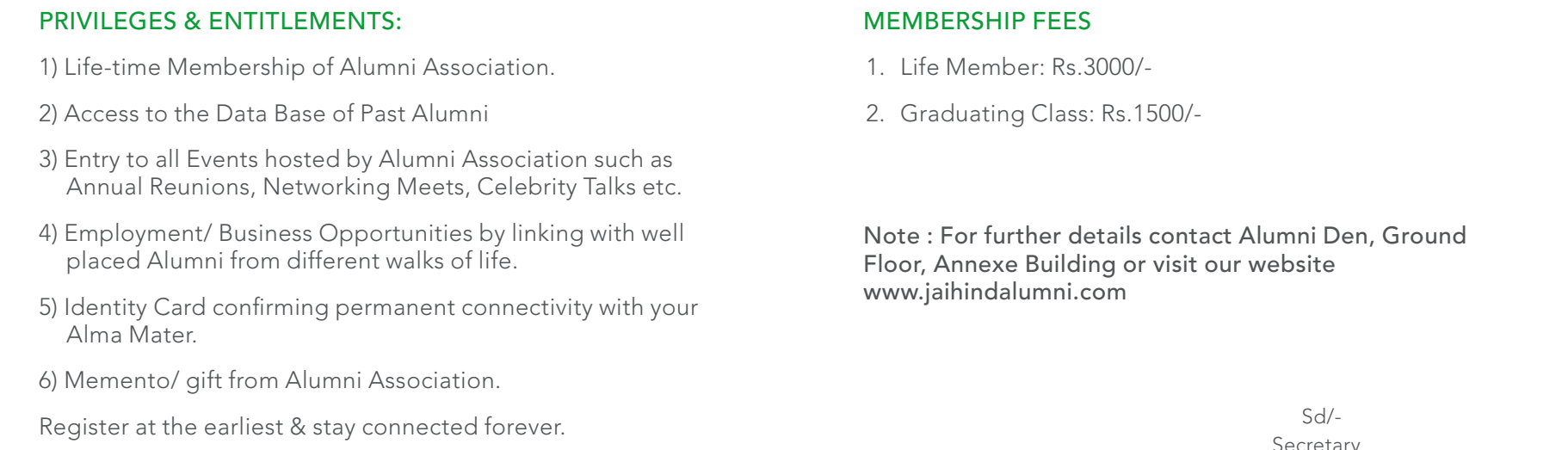


We Welcome

A well known media personality, Vinod Advani has been a music, travel, food and wine writer for over three decades. He was also a TV presenter in the 1990s and one of the country's first Radio Jockeys on FM radio in 1992. His Radio programs three times a week reached out to over a million listeners from 1998 to 2014.

Vinod's marketing and advertising professional too. He spent over two decades, creating advertising for the Taj Group of Hotels, Raymond, Coca-Cola et al. Post his advertising career, Vinod was appointed Brand Ambassador for Chivas Regal and then, Johnny Walker. Simultaneously the honour of being appointed Tourism Ambassador of South Australia, home to Adelaide and the Barossa Valley where the world's finest wines are made.

Vinod's personal involvement with the education of eleven children from the slums and their progress. He also supports a blind children's Nursery in Sion that looks after 22 visually challenged children. Vinod is honoured to be appointed President of Jai Hind College's Alumni Association.



## FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK

**Mr. Vikram Nankani**



Vikram Nankani is a designated Senior Advocate. He is an India-qualified lawyer since 1986. Vikram completed graduation in B.A. (Economics) from Jai Hind College, where apart from being a lecturer in Economics in the Junior College, he also found his life partner Pooja (nee Rashmi). Vikram then went on to do LL.Bat Government Law College and LL.M from Mumbai University. Vikram joined the Chamber of Mr Ashok Desai, Senior Advocate & former Attorney General of India. Between 1986 and 2003, Vikram appeared as Counsel in variety of matters concerning commercial dispute, corporate matters, economic offences and criminal cases, tax, shipping and arbitration, and has to his credit several reported landmark judgements.

Vikram is qualified as the Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), London. Vikram was the Partner in Economic Laws Practice from 2003 until his designation as Senior Advocate in September 2014. Vikram is also on the Governing Council of the Mumbai Centre for International Arbitration and Managing Committee of Indian Merchants Chamber.

## COMMENTS PAGE

**Moin Dawala**

Thanks for the interesting newsletter. I would like to sign up for the alumni membership, can you please help me with the same.

**Lash Chandiramani**

Yoved the whole presentation of the newsletter. Would also love if we could hear from our teachers maybe?

**Braca Maljankar**

"Good work! Colourful and interesting"

**Mihir Jain**

"Amazing issue"

**Nidhi Khetwani**

"Lovely newsletter. It's really very well compiled. Loved it"

## INVITATION TO BE A MEMBER OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Alumni Association Jai Hind College invites all to be a part of Alumni Association.

### PRIVILEGES & ENTITLEMENTS:

- 1) Life-time Membership of Alumni Association.
- 2) Access to the Data Base of Past Alumni
- 3) Entry to all Events hosted by Alumni Association such as Annual Reunions, Networking Meets, Celebrity Talks etc.
- 4) Employment/ Business Opportunities by linking with well placed Alumni from different walks of life.
- 5) Identity Card confirming permanent connectivity with your Alma Mater.
- 6) Memento/ gift from Alumni Association.

Register at the earliest & stay connected forever.  
It is Your Moral Responsibility.

### MEMBERSHIP FEES

1. Life Member: Rs.3000/-
2. Graduating Class: Rs.1500/-

Note : For further details contact Alumni Den, Ground Floor, Annexe Building or visit our website [www.jaihindalumni.com](http://www.jaihindalumni.com)

Sd/-  
Secretary  
Alumni Association – Jai Hind College

## FELICITATION OF TOPPERS 2018

The Members of the Managing Board interacting with the Star Performer Students & acknowledging their efforts.



## PRAYER MEETING

A Prayer meeting to offer reverence to our Patron Dada J.P Vaswani was organised at Jai Hind College in the auditorium at 11am on Sat 14th July 2018.

The mood was sombre as Dada's favourite Bhajans & his priceless teachings played in the background.

It was a full house & the attendees included philanthropists & associates of the Sadhu Vaswani Mission Mr & Mrs Ramesh Tubiani, President of the Managing Board of Jai Hind College Mr Suresh Gokhale, senior Alumni & Staff & students of the college.

Principal Dr Ashok Wadia while addressing the gathering shared his memories & Dada's words which have inspired him. Dr Baldev Mastani Head Department of Sindi, Mumbai University gave a deep insight into Dada's life & principles & this was followed by Mrs Suman Ramesh Tubiani sharing her fond memories of Dada & her association with the Mission.

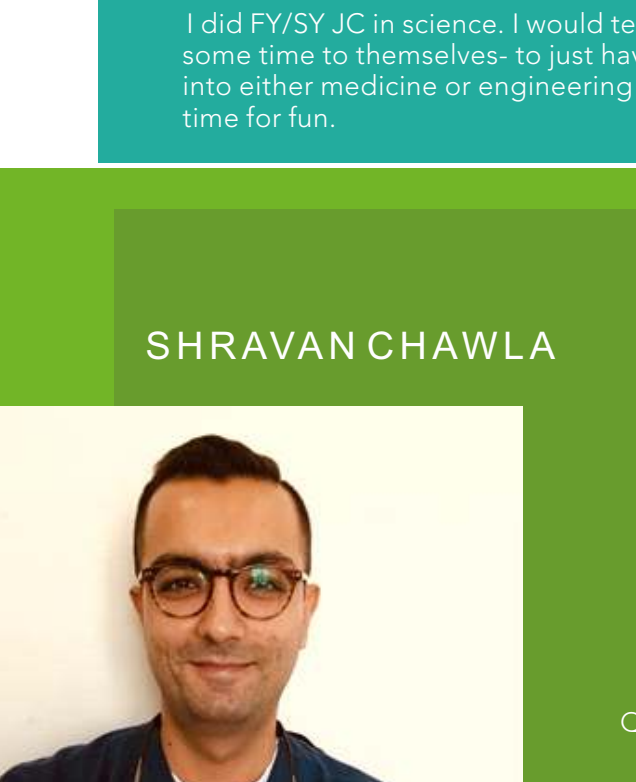
The meeting concluded with everyone offering their respect & prayer for Dada  
Long Live Dada



## THE BUZZING ADMISSION SEASON.



## OUR ACHIEVER ALUMNUS – Mr. Ronak Pandit



I was 3 years old when I first held an air pistol and my dad made me fire a shot. My father was a champion in shooting sports in the 1990s so I would end up being a sportsperson. Ofcourse there were phases, like around the late 80s and early 90s the Ramayana and Mahabharata used to be aired on TV so I wanted to learn archery. Then when Jo Jaeta Wahi Sikandar was released I wanted to be a cyclist and then the encyclopedias came in so wanted to be an astronaut and what not! The good thing is, my parents never told me what I should become.

Shooting happened to me by chance. One day on way for our summer holidays in 1998, my father had to make a stop at the shooting range in Kurla for some work. There was a novices competition in progress so just to kill time I expressed my desire to shoot. I was hastily allowed as I had no clue of what I wanted to learn archery. I was never trained before. I just knew how to shoot like how all of us know how to hit the ball! I was briefed about the basic technique and the competition forms and rules for 15 mins and being... I won the gold in the juniors (under 21) and bronze in the senior, when I was 13 years old. So that was my first taste of success. This success ignited the first sparks of intrinsic motivation which led me to wanting to train in the sport. Next came the qualification competition for the National Championships in November where I again won the Gold and then the National Championships in January 1999 when I became the junior national champion with a new national record. It had been 8 months since I first experienced a competition and now here I was, a new under-21 national champion and national record holder at age 13.

I scored reasonably good marks in my tenth boards and with the achievements in shooting, I was confident of getting admission in the junior college of my choice. There is a college with a fancy name in town, the principal of which actually shunned me away during junior college admissions in the year 2001 because he said shooting was not part of the sports played by that college. It didn't matter to him that the boy who's file he literally threw back had won over 10 international medals for the country in an Olympic sport and had marks more than anyone else in sports quota anyways. But well, I really thank god for this because then I came to my second choice of junior college, Jai Hind College.

Jai Hind College welcomed me with open arms and didn't even want to listen to all of my achievements. I remember Prof. Shivdasani, the then principal in crisp white clothes telling me and my parents that it is the institution that is lucky to have students like me. I was shocked and also confused for I had never received such warm welcome anywhere in the educational institutions before, but most importantly, I felt happy and secured. My college, Jai Hind College gave me all the liberty I required for excelling at my sport and this trust from the college ensured that I did my best in academics as well. I spent some of the best moments of my life in this college, in the classroom, in the green room playing carom, the chess dosa in the canteen, how bady do I miss those days! I spent 5 years of my junior and senior college days at Jai Hind, first in science for 2 years and then in BMS. By the time I passed BMS in 2006, not only had I secured distinction with outstanding grade in projects, but I had also won the Gold medal with a new Games Record at the 2006 Commonwealth Games at Melbourne. Later that year I won the Silver medal at the Asian Games in Doha.

One of the toughest challenges faced by graduates in the world of Management post their active careers but I thank you for my education. I was able to receive a good education, I graduated in BMS (Bachelor of Management Studies), the principles of which apply in my work and I also derive parallels from sport to be a better entrepreneur.

As an active participant some of my noteworthy achievements were:

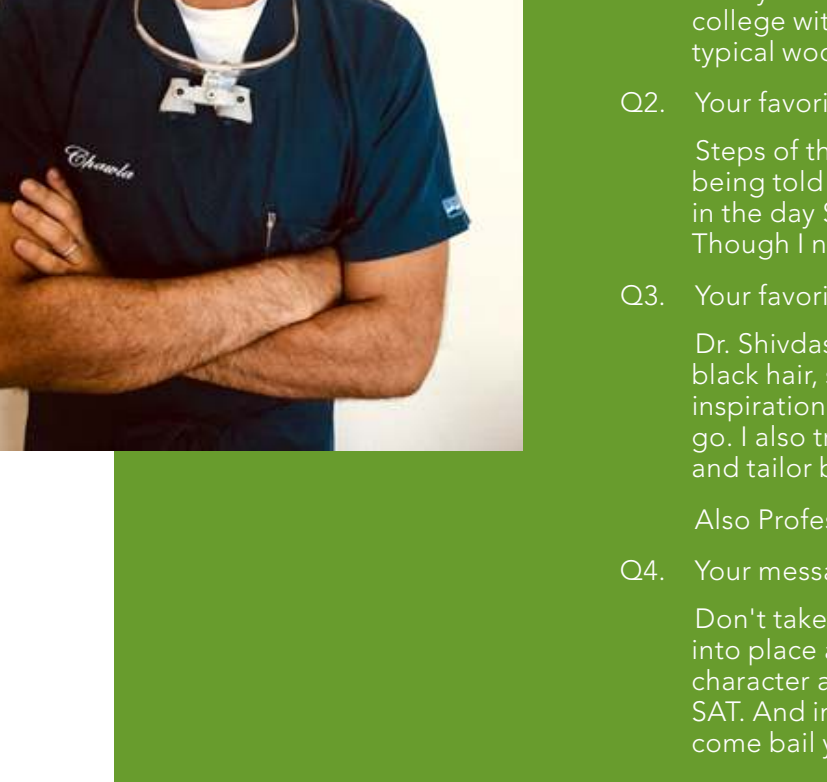
1. Gold at 2006 Commonwealth Games
2. Silver at 2006 Asian Games
3. Asian junior champion 2004 and 2005
4. South Asian Games Champion and Record Holder 2004
5. Represented India at over 50 international competitions and won over 40 international medals
6. Multiple National Champion and won over 100 national medals with over a dozen national records

As a coach my achievements are:

1. Representing India twice at Olympic Games, London 2012 & Rio 2016
2. 1 shooter achieving World rank 1
3. 2 shooters making new World Records
4. Multiple Commonwealth Games medals
5. Multiple Asian Games medals
6. Multiple World Cup medals
7. Multiple Asian Champions
8. Multiple National Champions

I feel a lot of what I have achieved is due to the fact that I was able to take timely decisions. Yes I asked the world for advice, gave them a good thought and finally made my own well informed decision. At age 26, when I decided to transition into coaching, the world laughed at a 26 year old "inexperienced coach". At 26 was an experienced player but an inexperienced coach... strange! But I carried on. And even today, at 33, I still am a youngest coach by a long margin, but no one calls me inexperienced anymore... and most importantly, not one other coach in this country can write a list of achievements half as mine, and I still have a long way to go.

I think what is important in life is to have the freedom to choose what you want to do and this choice must come out of sheer love for that activity. Only then is the intrinsic motivation helps you go that extra step and excel at it. And then education helped me identify and make the most of the opportunities that were available. It broadens your horizon, giving you confidence which, contrary to popular beliefs also helps you perform better at sport. I firmly believe that sport and academics/business are complementary and one can perform much better if they did both as opposed to focusing on just one.



## Meena Saxena

Meena Saxena is a name well known to several generations of JaiHindites who take pride in the Diversity of our beloved college. Her warm, welcoming smile and an ever-enthusiastic attitude have made her one of Jai Hind's most cherished professors of all times.

Meena Saxena is a senior education management professional with 18 years of experience in designing, implementing and running academic programmes at undergraduate and postgraduate level. She is a seasoned educationalist with over 25 years of experience in teaching business management. She has developed and managed powerful relationships between the government, academia and premier global institutions.

As it is rightly said, "Every great journey begins with a single step", she began as a faculty of Commerce and Management at Jai Hind College. It was her Passion for teaching and her driven attitude that paved way for her post as The Vice Principal of Jai Hind College. She is one of the pioneers in launching the esteemed Bachelors of Management Studies in Jaihind with unparalleled dedication and determination along with our beloved Principal, Late Professor Shivdasani and other hardworking faculty members. The BMS programme has consistently been among the top 3 of the 100+ Mumbai Colleges since. She not only established and enhanced student exchange programmes with New Jersey Institute of Technology and Berkeley University of California but also channelised the Jai Hind placement cell that provides Sky High recruitment opportunities even today. She simultaneously undertook the challenging role of the assistant Dean and founder member of the Bombay School of business. With immense perseverance, she set up a new, one of its kind B-School specialising in E-Business. She successfully launched International Internships In Europe, Australia, Hong Kong and the Middle East. After making way for new prospects in Jai Hind, Mrs. Meena Saxena took up a much more challenging role – The Senior Associate Director at the Indian School of Business (ISB).

There, she established the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Case Development (CTCLC) – the first of its kind in the entire country. The CTCLC focused in innovative pedagogies for effective learning and enhancing the impact and value of knowledge. It builds and focuses on India - Specific Cases and Enables maximum participation in the classroom and Publishing. She has also taken up the role of Senior Associate Director of the Centre for Leadership, Innovation and Change (CLIC). She has also hosted an Intellectual Property workshop in collaboration with National Academy of Legal Studies and Research and BioSia.

Mrs. Meena Saxena now holds the post of Director of International Linkages at the renowned Narsee Monjee Institute Of Management Studies.

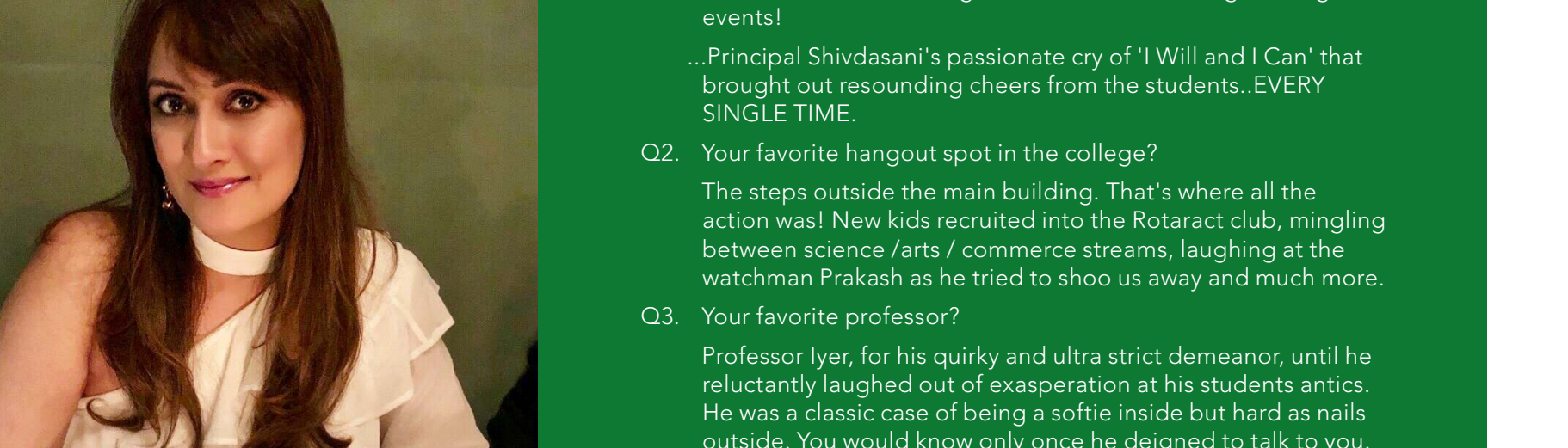
JaiHind will always be proud of and indebted to Mrs Meena Saxena for her achievements throughout her journey. It is our pleasure to recognize, respect and appreciate all of her efforts and hard work through all these years. Mrs Meena Saxena has always exhibited Qualities of a great leader and it gives us immense pride to introduce her as one of our own.

## A PROUD MOMENT



The Times Healthcare Achievers felicitation ceremony recognised the outstanding contribution of individuals from the Medical Fraternity.

We are extremely proud of Dr Hrishikesh Dr Firuza Parikh IVP specialist & Dr Arshikesh Pai IVP & Fertility specialist who were felicitated as Legends in their area of specialisation at this event organized by the Times of India.



## ALUMNI SPEAK

DEEPAJHANGIANI

Deepa Jhangiani is a senior professional at an investment bank. She graduated from Jai Hind college with the batch of 1996. She is currently the assistant Dean and founder member of the Bombay School of Management Information Systems in the US. She studied and worked in the US for three years before coming back to India in 2008. She is an avid reader and health food enthusiast.

Q1. What is the fondest memory of the college?

I will always remember... complete the sentence... the stress and camaraderie in the green room and backstage during events

...Principal Shivdasani's passionate cry of 'I Will and I Can' that brought out resounding cheer from the students. EVERY SINGLE TIME.

Q2. Your favorite hangout spot in the college?

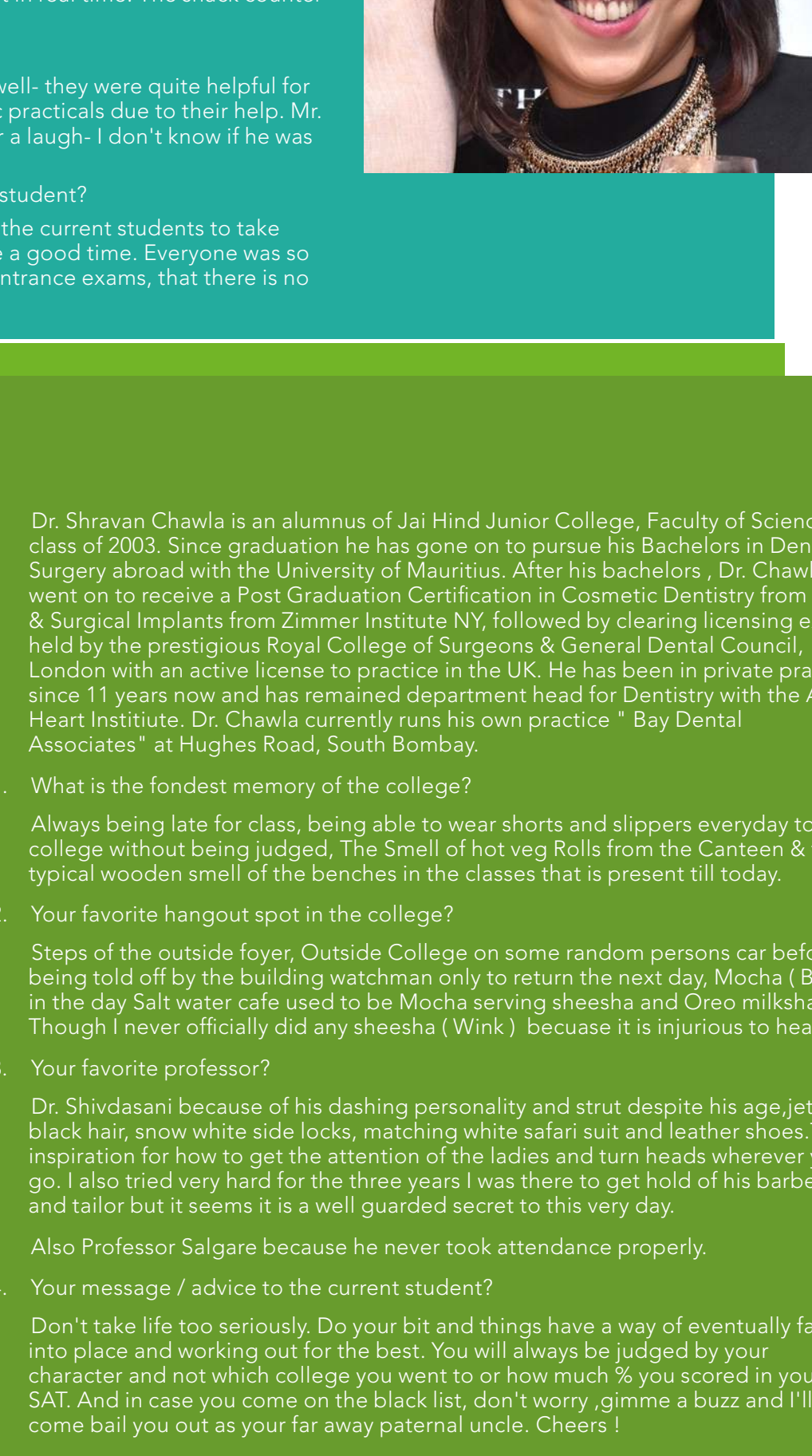
The steps outside the main building. That's where all the action was! New kids recruited into the Rotaract club, mingling between science/arts/commerce streams, laughing at the watchman Prakash as he tried to sho us away and much more.

Q3. Your favorite professor?

Professor Iyer, for his quirky and ultra strict demeanor. He reluctantly laughed out of a softie inside but hard as nails outside. You would know only once he designed to talk to you.

Q4. Your message / advice to the current students?

Try to reach out to as many groups and students you can, and involve yourself in as many activities as you can. The lessons you learn while enjoying yourself will stand you in good stead throughout your life.



Karishma Grover is the Associate winner at Grover/Zampa Vinayada. India's leader in quality winemaking with over 80 International awards for wine quality. She has completed her bachelor's Degree from UC Davis in Viticulture and Enology (winemaking), followed by a brief stint in Napa Valley, California.

Q1. What is the fondest memory of the college?

"I will always remember... the motto- I will and I can. At explanation the principal then (Mr. Shivdasani) went into a very long orientation about why the words were written like that. I do not remember anything else, except that a LOT of thought had gone into it, and today when I think Jai Hind, it is the first thing that pops into my head. So... all that thought was always in on the job though."

Q2. Your favorite hangout spot in the college?

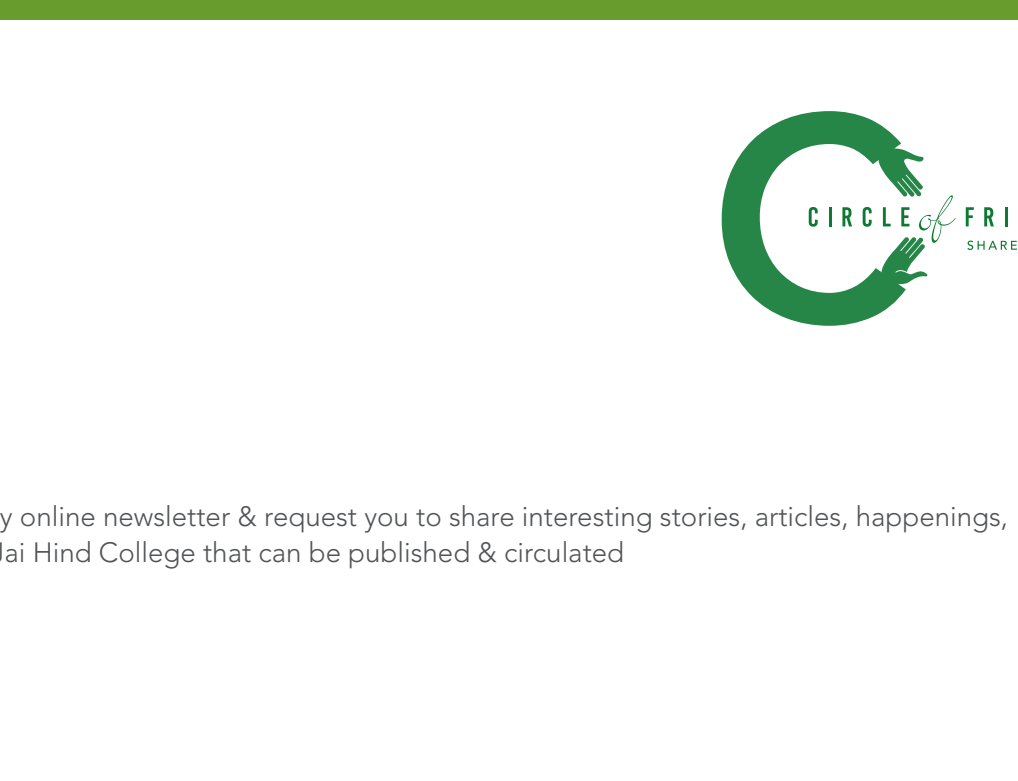
On the big steps near the entrance! It's the perfect spot to catch all the gossip- and often watch it play out in real time. The snack counter is close by, so you won't go hungry.

Q3. Your favorite professor?

I remember the physics department well; they were quite helpful for labs- I am pretty sure I passed my HSC practicals due to their help. Mr. Salgare in particular was always up for a laugh. I don't know if he was always in on the job though?

Q4. Your message / advice to the current student?

I did FVJSY JC in science. I would tell the current students to take some time to themselves- to just have a good time. Everyone was so into either medicine or engineering entrance exams, that there is no time for fun.



## SHRAVAN CHAWLA



Dr. Shraavan Chawla is an alumnus of Jai Hind Junior College, Faculty of Science class of 2002. Since graduation he has gone on to pursue his Bachelors in Dental Surgery abroad with the University of Mauritius. After his bachelors, Dr. Chawla went on to receive a Post Graduation Certification in Cosmetic Dentistry from NYU & Surgical Implants from Zimm Institute NY, followed by clearing licensing exams held by the prestigious Royal College of Surgeons & General Dental Council, London with an active license to practice in the UK. He has been in private practice for 11 years now and has remained department head for Dental Prosthetics with the Asian Heart Institute. Dr. Chawla currently runs his own practice - 'Bay Dental Associates' at Hughes Road, South Bombay.

Q1. What is the fondest memory of the college?

Always being late for class, being able to wear shorts and slippers everyday to college without being judged. The Small of hot wet Rolls from the Canteen & the typical wooden smell of the benches in the classes that is present till today.

Q2. Your favorite hangout spot in the college?

The steps of the outside foyer, Outside College on some random persons car before being told off by the building watchman only to return the next day, Mocha ( Back in the day Saltwater cafe used to be Mocha serving sweets) and Green milkshakes. Though I never officially did any wackiness (Wink) because it is injurious to health!

Q3. Your favorite professor?

Dr. Shivdasani because of his dashing personality and strut despite his age, jet black hair, snow white side locks, matching white safari suit and leather shoes. True inspiration to get the attention of girls to read and scribble notes to talk to you. I also tried very hard for the three years I was there to get hold of his barber and tailor but it seems it is a well guarded secret to this very day.

Also Professor Salgare because he never took attendance properly.

Q4. Your message / advice to the current student?

Don't take life too seriously. Do your bit and things have a way of eventually falling into place and working out for the best. You will always be judged by your circle and not your college. Innovate and Change (CLIC). She has also taken your SAT. And in case you come on the blacklist, don't worry, gimme a buzz and I'll come bail you out as your far away paternal uncle. Cheers

## APPEAL TO THE ALUMNI

Dear Alumnus,

Greetings from the Alumni Association

We are in the process of putting together a quarterly online newsletter & request you to share interesting stories, articles, happenings, achievements, awards & news related to Alumni of Jai Hind College that can be published & circulated

An earnest request to help us in this endeavor.

Secretary  
Jyoti N. Thakur  
Alumni Association – Jai Hind College

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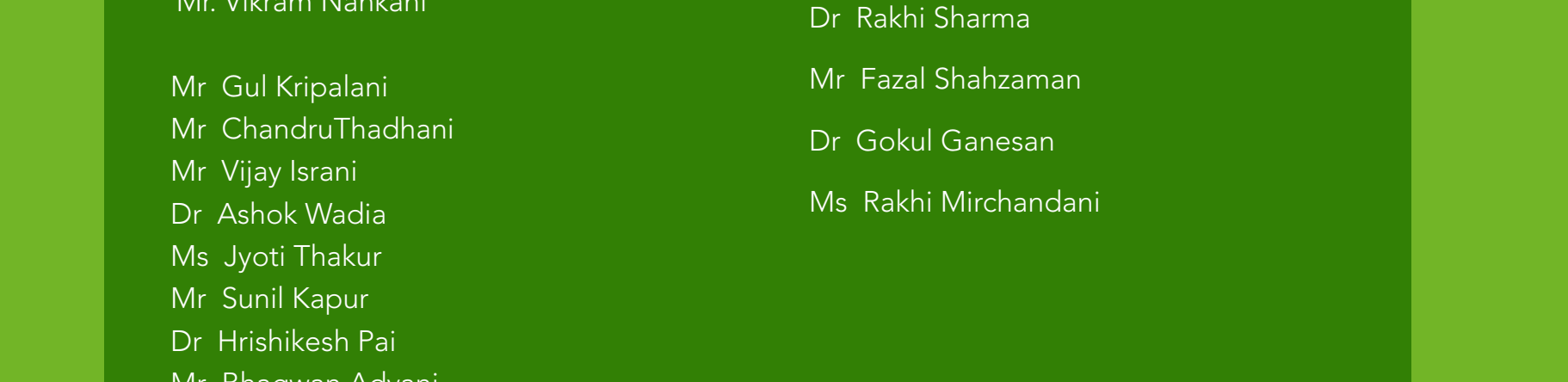
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