

## 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

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You will be happy to know that the response to the inaugural issue of our Newsletter has been enthusiastic and heartening. Here are

I think you will not have any difficulties filling the pages going forward as there are so many alumni across the globe who are doing MBBS,FRCP(C)

Dear Jai Hindites!

Suresh Lal Goklaney

some of the comments & feedback received:

tremendous job and are extremely successful" Unquote -Dr Pradeep Merchant Chief, Division of Neonatology The Ottawa Hospital-Civic Campus

becoming an autonomous College. Serious planning in this direction has already begun.

Greetings & best wishes to each one of you and your families for the New Year!

Quote "Thank you very much for doing an incredible job in creating this newsletter.

Quote "Great launch. Congratulations" Unquote -

Ashok Ganguly - Graduating class of 1956

The Circle of Friendship has started on an encouraging note, and our current focus is to expand this circle to include the Jai Hind family across the globe. Being a Leader in the world of Education over the years and the preferred choice amongst students, our focus needs to shift towards continually energizing ourselves in the changing scenario, to meet the requirements of tomorrow. Therefore our sincere efforts will now be directed towards modernizing both the hardware and software for better student employability. Towards this end, we welcome industry leaders, particularly amongst our college Alumni, to help shape our curriculum, such that our students enter Industry well equipped to face the challenges of the business world. All this will become possible with Jai Hind

Look forward to your continued cooperation and active participation in expanding and strengthening this Circle of Friendship and taking your College to greater heights in the months and years ahead. Warm regards & best wishes, **Suresh Goklaney** 

and participate in our endeavour to make our Institution the best in the country and amongst the topmost in the world.

This vision will become a reality if all of us – Students, Faculty, Alumni and well-wishers of Jai Hind join hands to wholeheartedly support

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK CIRCLE of FRIENDSHIP Dr. Ashok Wadia

Dear Members of the Jai Hind family

all your wishes get fulfilled this year.

## Dear Friends, every year people make new resolutions but I really wonder how many fulfill them. For me there is only one vision & one dream to see Jai Hind being recognized globally & achieve international standards. While I was writing this message one of my present students

who hails from Dehradun came to meet me. I asked her why she has selected Jai Hind when there were many famous institutes closer to home in Delhi one example being JNU. Her answer was that in her hostel she was part of many discussions about various institutions & Jai Hind always figured on top of the from neighboring countries. Jai Hind recently received STAR Scheme recognition from DBT, Government of India to promote Science.

various capacities to achieve this goal.

list. My next question to her was "Did Jai Hind live up to your expectations" to which she answered "I am happy about my choice, the Jai Hind experience is unparalleled". I am happy to share that current students are coming from every corner of our country &

It gives me great pleasure in wishing you a Happy Healthy & Prosperous New year – 2018. May

equipment for recording lectures & language laboratories for helping students improve their communication skills. Your generosity & philanthropy will help us in realizing our dreams. Let us work together to make Jai Hind a world class global educational institute Principal

AV Centre, Modern Science & Computer laboratories with latest technology & facilities, classrooms with latest audio visual

I would like all our Alumni to come forward & take their Alma Mater Jai Hind College to another level. We need your help in

You may share your expertise with students & faculty & play the role of a mentor. With your support we could start short term

certificate courses such as soft skill development & specializations in various fields to bridge the gap between Academia & the

I earnestly appeal to you to take up projects to improve the infrastructure at Jai Hind College, such as a State of Art Auditorium &

corporate world / industry in order to make our students employable & business leaders for tomorrow.

CIRCLE of FRIENDSHIP LUMNI EMBER BENEFITS

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

your Alma Mater.

**PRIVILEGES & ENTITLEMENTS:** 

Dr. Ashok Wadia.



Annual Reunions, Networking Meets, Celebrity Talks etc.

4) Employment/ Business Opportunities by linking with well

5) Identity Card confirming permanent connectivity with

placed Alumni from different walks of life.

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

**MEMBERSHIP FEES** 

1. Life Member: Rs.3000/-

2. Graduating Class: Rs.1500/-



BMS Department of Jai Hind College.

Managing Partner, Lunch & Siesta.

undergraduate institution, which was hosted by the

The event has three main attractions: speaker sessions from the juggernauts of the Indian businesses. The list of speakers in attendance were Ajeet Khurana, Angel Investor, Mentor and Ex-CEO of SINE (IIT Bombay; Pooja Dingra, Founder and CEO of Le15; Rahat Beri,

Founder and Managing Director of Blue Ocean IMC;

Rajiv Dhingra, Founder of WATConsult; Peshwa Acharya, CMO at Sterling Holidays, Digital

Transformation Expert and Ketan Joshi-Founder &

The audience consisting of start-ups, students and

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and Rishabh Shah, Founder & Managing Partner at Aufklaren.

share their experiences and business details.

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Digital Fellow



panel of mentors and judges, namely Mohit Shukla, Legal Head at Barclays; Munaf Kapadia, CEO of The Bohri Kitchen; Amit Mehra, CFA at Unicorn India Ventures; Uday Wankawala, Evangelist, Incubator Consultant; Revathi Roy, Founder and CEO of Hey Deedee; Ashutosh Bhondele, Managing Partner at Seven Rivers Capital; Jaimit Doshi, Executive Vice President, Marketing at Kotak Securities; Juzer Tambawala, Head of Marketing at Franklin Templeton Investments; Vibhav Parikh, Founder of Fox

Counsel; Moiz Lakdawala, Senior Vice President of Marketing and Communications at SBI; Subhobroto Chakroborty, Founder of

The top 7 startups made their final pitch in the Jai Hind College Auditorium in hopes of taking home the 50,000 cash prize. The winner of the Start-Up Competition was ArtistikIndia.com, which aims to provide the common man with easy access to the world

The event concluded with the networking session where the attendees, start-ups, mentors, entrepreneurs and investors met to

The second Jai Hind College Entrepreneurship Summit headed by Sharika Sodah along with her team and an experienced panel of mentors succeeded in its aim of creating an ecosystem for future Indian entrepreneurs, making Jai Hind College the premier

## the college witnessed a scale of celebration & performance that had never been seen before.



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College campus. Events included the fashion

& campus were abuzz with jubilation & were

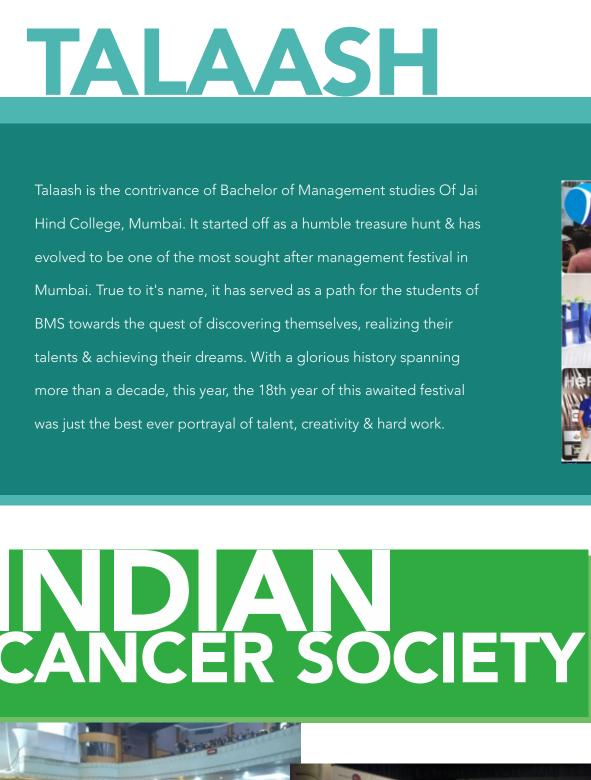
show, Mr. & Mrs. Shoutt, stand up comedy & the

band event amongst others. The college building

exquisitely decorated to reflect the electric mood

of the festival. The organising council, the Social

& Dramatic Union of Jai Hind College, was met with great appreciation from each Jai Hindite as



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community and in the City of Ottawa. In his capacity as a Paediatrician/Neonatologist and as a Site Chief of Division of Neonatology at the Ottawa Hospital-Civic campus, he has

Dr. Merchant was born in a suburb of Mumbai, India in a very ordinary gujarati family. He started his life in a simple house. Dr. Merchant did his primary and secondary schooling in south bombay. He was always top in his school and after secondary school certification he

entered the prestigious Jai Hind College to do his premedical science training. He obtained a MBBS medical degree from the University of Bombay at the prestigious Topiwala National Medical College (TNMC) at Nair Hospital. He moved to Canada to further pursue his career in medicine. He completed his Paediatric training at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario and subsequently, he continued his career in the field of Neonatology at world famous, The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Following this he joined the University of Ottawa's Dept. of Paediatrics as an Assistant Professor in Canada.

In 1997, he was appointed as Chief of Division of Neonatology at the Ottawa Civic Hospital and the Medical Director of the Rich Little's Special Care Nursery. He later became the Chief of the Division of Neonatology for the new amalgamated Ottawa Hospital and subsequently became Chief (A) of the Division of Neonatology at The Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario. Currently, he is the Site Chief of the Division of

Neonatology at the Civic Campus. In his position, he has developed numerous policies and protocols in newborn care. Dr. Merchant's

primary interest remains premature babies' lung development and brain injury. He has participated in numerous presentation and research in

Dr. Merchant was filmed by the Guinness World book of record TV show for the smallest surviving premature baby in 1998. The baby at the

He has played an active role in building strong, professional business organization in Ottawa. He has been extremely successful as the Chair

of the Indo-Canada Ottawa Business Chamber (ICOBC) for the year 2010-2012. During his tenure as a Chair of ICOBC, he contributed immensely towards raising the awareness of India and India's potential for the world trade and in particular bilateral relationship with

Dr. Merchant has been recently nominated to receive "Order of Ontario" award by Carleton University for his pioneering role in the development of the "Canada India Centre" along with his personal philanthropy of donating \$ 100,000.00 for the establishment of the

Dr. Merchant has also been nominated to receive "Order of Ottawa" award for his numerous contributions to the city of Ottawa and its

He has worked tirelessly to serve the Ottawa community by supporting numerous outstanding philanthropic endeavours in the 20 years that he has resided in this City. He remains a strong supporter of the philanthropic efforts by fellow Canadians to enhance the quality of life for all Canadians. Dr. Merchant is supported by his wife Mrs. Anita Merchant and his son Mr. Praneal Merchant and his daughter Ms. Krina

Managing Board & Passed President of

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel on his visit to India on Jan 2018

Q1. What is your fondest memory of the college?

Principal Shivi's speeches

Q2. Your favorite professor?

lovely and very stylish!

Q4. Your takeaway from Jai Hind?

Q3. Your favorite hang - out spot in college?

pride for yourself and your institution.

Q5. Your message / advice to the current students?

- My Favorite place was the canteen of course!

- My fondest memories of the college are the French club

fashion shows and also the Hindi Parishad days and of course

- My Favorite prof. was my French teacher Ms. Aban. She was

The Best thing Jai Hind gave me was confidence to perform on stage in front of an audience and to always have love and

- My message to all Jai Hindite is to always follow your dreams and never say I can't do anything! Always try out all the

He has received recognition by many including his own peers at the hospital and is being nominated for the highest Medical Staff Association Professionalism Award for his continued commitment for professionalism and for his exemplary professional attitude.

Dr. Merchant remains committed to the growth and vision of the Regional Health Care in the Ottawa-Carleton region and is engaged at various levels of local, regional, provincial and national organizations in providing the best possible health care to the youngest citizens of Canada. He continues to serve at the Local Integrated Health Network at various task forces and steering committees in developing the

made numerous valuable contributions to the Ottawa medical community.

## Additionally a patient/survivor & the treating doctor , was present giving a real experience & steps taken in handling the situation for self & family. STORY -DR. PRADEEP MERCHANT Pediatrician, Ottawa, ON Dr. Pradeep Merchant is well known and a respected individual in the Indo-Canadian

A very innovative & interactive session on Cancer awareness was organised by the

The context to this entire exercise was that with the increased incidence in the onset

understand the real situation, eliminate any myths, and call to their attention several

The program included an oncologist giving a talk to the students on -basics of cancer.

incidence and trends in Mumbai and the country.

regular screening being the key to early detection.

risk factors esp tobacco and tobacco products.

leading cancers in men and women.

importance of a healthy lifestyle.

Importance of insurance.

proactive steps they can take to be in control of the situation if the disease should

Indian Cancer Society at Jai Hind college on Tues Jan 16th 2018 in our College

of cancer, Indian Cancer Society believes that awareness would help the public

Auditorium.

strike them.

He has been instrumental in developing "Canada-India Center for Excellence in Science, Technology, Trade and Policy" in Ottawa at the Carleton University. This has been one of a kind center being supported by 9 different universities across Canada. The Center will contribute immensely to the Research and development in Science and Technology and facilitate bilateral trade between India and Canada. Canada India Centre will create progressive policies between the two great parliamentary democracies for the benefit of all. Dr. Merchant has been widely recognized as the force behind its creation and is well respected by academicians, business people as well as politicians for his efforts. Dr. Merchant is the current Chair of the Board of Governing Council of the Canada India Centre.

enhancing the knowledge to improve the care for fragile premature newborn babies.

regional perinatal-neonatal program.

and is adorning the wall of Canada India Centre.

community ever since he has made Ottawa as his home.

Merchant in all his endeavours.

Canada.

time of birth weighed only 378 gms. Now many years later the baby has grown up into healthy young adult.

Dr. Merchant is currently the Executive member of the Board of Governors for Carleton University. He has been appointed for three years term and works closely with the President of Carleton University and rest of the Board of Governors in running of one of the prestigious academic institution, Carleton University in Canada and in nation's capital, Ottawa. Dr. Merchant has been a Trustee of the Guajarati cultural association for the last 10 years. He has been promoting Gujarati culture and helping integrate new Canadians into Canadian multicultural mosaic. He serves on the Board of the Mahatma Gandhi Peace Council of Ottawa. The council spreads the message of peace and communal harmony to the Canadian community at large. The council was instrumental in bringing Mahatma Gandhi's statue to the Nation's Capital to be installed at the Carleton University. Dr. Merchant along with High Commissioner of India Mr.Gavai and Carleton President Dr. Roseann O'reilly Runte, inaugurated the unveiling of the statue at the Carleton university. Commemorative plaque credits Dr. Merchant for his efforts He has served on the Board of Queensway Carleton Hospital Foundation and at present serves on the Board of the Ottawa Hospital Foundation as an active community representative in helping community to help themselves by supporting vital health care institutions. In recognition of all Dr. Merchant's efforts in serving the community, Governor General of Canada at the Diamond Jubilee anniversary of the Queen Elizabeth's birthday, awarded "Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee" in 2012 to Dr. Merchant.

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A PROUD MOMENT Mr. Gul Kriplani

PREETIJHANGIANI.

Adams

Simran Ahuja

Q3. Your favorite hang - out spot in college?

My Favorite place was the stairs outside the auditorium leading to the Green House

Q5. Your message / advice to the current students?

- My advice to all Jai Hindites is enjoy your time in college, find a balance between academics & what

Q1. What is your fondest memory of the college?

believe in myself & have faith in my dreams.

situation....I say to myself..." I WILL & I CAN"

Q5. Your message / advice to the current students?

Q3. Your favorite hang - out spot in college?

Q4. Your takeaway from Jai Hind?

Q2. Your favorite professor?

First one is, when I was forced to give a speech on stage by Prof.Shivdasani. I was

Yet, another memory is when I won the best Dancer title in College, though I was

And my last best memory is when I became the "Rose Queen", in my college...it was "LOVE" personified really felt like a Queen...These are my bestest memories of

- Professor Shivdasani & Ms. Nisha Sikka were my favorite, they both helped me

- The staircase outside the auditorium, where you analyse, gossip, laugh, have fun,

- I will & I can...Every time I sat in the auditorium, I would read this & feel optimistic & ready to win the world...this always stays with me, wherever I feel am in a tough

shout, stare at others, comment, compliment & flaunt your attitude...

shivering & nervous, yet received applauses & appreciation for the same.

dancing for the very first time. Good heavens, I was glowing.

hobbies and courses the college has to offer and there are many! Just like our college motto I will and I can! **POOJA DINGRA** Q1. What is your fondest memory of the college? - My fondest memories of the college just meeting Your favorite professor? My Favorite prof. French Teacher – Ms. Aban

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Dear Alumnus, Greetings, from the Alumni Association in this endeavour. Association to a new level. Secretary, Jyoti N. Thakur Alumni Association – Jai Hind College **CORE COMMITTEE President** Mr. Harindra Singh

everything possible. This is the place to make mistakes & rectify. You can be a hero with your hard work & faith. Jai Hind College gives you the platform to excel in everything you ever wanted. The secret of Success is you shall see miracles. Love & 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

An earnest appeal to all of you to help us increase the Circle of Friendship by sharing contact details of Alumni, Faculty & Associates of Jai Hind College, who are in touch with you. We also invite Alumni to come forward, join the Committee & help us in taking the Alumni

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