# 1992 BATCH - KG VENKATASUBRAMANIAN MERIT CUM MEANS SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

## **REPORT 2024**





Alumni & Corporate Relations Indian Institute of Technology Madras This endowment was created in memory of KG Venkatasubramanian who was tragically lost at the young age of 22 years, is fondly known as KGB. Hailing from a smaller town, Harihar, Karnataka, his character and enthusiasm were in no way diminished, possibly even enhanced. Hosted in Jamuna during the first year and Mandakini for the subsequent three years at IITM, he left a lasting impact on his hostel mates and many in his batch.

His buttoned-down appearance, including the top collar button, suggested a readiness to confront any challenge, anytime, anywhere. In coding for numerous projects, he often assumed the role of the "designated coder" in his team, spending countless hours in the computer labs.

The batch, in honor of his memory, wished to establish an endowment in his name at IITM, ensuring that his legacy endures.



### MERIT CUM MEANS SCHOLARSHIP

The Merit-Cum-Means Scholarship fully supported the cost of tuition fees which was Rs. 90,000/-per annum for a student until 2015. Since 2016, the tuition fee has been revised to Rs.2 lakhs annually.

The Govt. Merit-cum-Means Scholarship has been revised to 2/3rd of Rs.2 lakhs (i.e., 1.33 Lakhs). This leaves a sum of Rs. 66,667/- to be borne by the student.

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Parental income between Rs.1 lakh and Rs.5 lakhs per annum

Degree – B. Tech / Dual Degree / B.S.

> Up to four (4) years of tuition assistance will be covered

The following four students are the beneficiaries of this Scholarship

## FEEDBACK FROM BENEFICIARIES

#### FAMILY BACKGROUND

I come from a small, loving family of five, and they are my biggest source of strength and inspiration. My father works as a LIC agent, and he is the sole earner in our family. His dedication to ensuring we have everything we need has always been truly inspiring. Despite the challenges, he has managed to support all of us with unwavering determination. My mother, a homemaker, is the heart of our home. Her care and guidance keep everything running smoothly, and she's the one we all turn to for comfort and wisdom.

I have two siblings who mean the world to me. My elder sister has just completed her graduation and is currently preparing for government job exams. She's incredibly focused and hardworking, and watching her dedication inspires me to stay determined in my own journey. My younger brother is in the 11th grade and preparing for JEE. He's full of ambition and energy, dreaming of a bright future, and we all cheer him on as he takes steps toward his goals.

Even though my father is the only earning member, my family has always prioritized education and self-growth. We may not have everything, but we have each other, and that's what truly matters. Our home is filled with love, laughter, and a lot of hope for the future. Growing up in this environment has taught me resilience, the value of hard work, and the importance of standing together as a family through everything.



VAISHNAVI SINHA MM22B065 Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering

#### ASPIRATION

At IIT Madras, I want to make the most of every opportunity to grow and learn. I aim to strengthen my skills in software development and materials research, taking on challenging projects that push me to think creatively and solve real-world problems. Beyond academics, I'm focused on becoming a better leader and team player, drawing from my experiences as Literary Head and WebOps Coordinator.

In life, I aspire to build a meaningful career where I can create solutions that make a difference, especially in areas like sustainability. More importantly, I want to stay grounded and give back—whether through mentoring, volunteering, or simply being there for the people around me. My ultimate goal is to lead a balanced life, achieving my dreams while staying connected to my values and the things that truly matter.

#### IMPACT CREATED

This scholarship has made a huge difference in my life. It's lifted a financial weight off my family's shoulders, allowing me to concentrate fully on my studies and personal growth without worrying about expenses. On a deeper level, it has motivated me to keep pushing myself, knowing that my hard work is being recognized. It also inspires me to give back in the future, supporting others the way this scholarship has supported me.

#### GRATITUDE NOTE

I am truly grateful for your generous support through this scholarship. It has eased the financial burden on my family and allowed me to focus on my studies and growth. Your belief in me means more than words can express, and it inspires me to work harder and reach for my dreams. Thank you for making such a meaningful impact on my life. I hope to pay it forward and help others just as you've helped me.

#### FAMILY BACKGROUND

My sister is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) My mother is a homemaker, and my father works in a barber shop.

#### ASPIRATION

#### At IIT Madras:

I aim to gain knowledge, engage in research, and grow through collaboration.

In Life: I aspire to make a meaningful impact and solve real-world challenges.

#### IMPACT CREATED

This opportunity is not just about education but a stepping stone towards my aspirations as a future leader in the specified domain.

#### GRATITUDE NOTE

Thank you for your belief in my potential and for investing in my future. I am committed to making the most of this opportunity and striving for excellence in my academic pursuits



POTTHAPI BHARATH NA23B063 Department <u>of Naval Architecture</u>

And Ocean Engineering

#### FAMILY BACKGROUND

My Family Comes From a business background and business was running very well before covid, But After covid there was a huge loss in business due to e-commerce. Now We Currently struggling to run the business and turn over also decreased a lot compared to before covid, My Father has also taken loan for the business and he is trying his best to run the business more efficiently.

#### ASPIRATION

In IIT Madras I want to Study and Enjoy Both, My Aim Is to maintain a CGPA of 8.5++. I want to start a Startup Instead of taking Job. I want to build an Unicorn Business in my life

### IMPACT CREATED

The ScholarShip Provided by you has helped me a lot. It has relieved my stress and helped me to focus and concentrate on my dreams. It has helped me both financially and mentally. I can now fully concentrate on my studies and prepare myself for the semester

#### **GRATITUDE NOTE**

Thank You For Helping Me. After I Pass out from here I will also help others by providing scholarships



VEDANTH ASAWA CH23B067 Department of Chemical Engineering

#### FAMILY BACKGROUND

I come from a modest family background where financial challenges have shaped our journey. Despite limited resources, my parents have worked hard to support my education. Their emphasis on hard work and learning has instilled in me a deep sense of gratitude and determination to seize every opportunity.

#### ASPIRATION

At IIT Madras, my primary aspiration is to excel academically and specialize in civil engineering, focusing on infrastructure development and sustainable solutions. I aim to engage in projects that address realworld challenges in the construction industry. My ultimate goal is to contribute to building resilient and eco-friendly structures that improve societal living standards.

#### IMPACT CREATED

The Merit-cum-Means scholarship has eased my family's financial burden, enabling me to focus on academics and personal growth. It has provided motivation, security, and access to opportunities like workshops and seminars. This support has been pivotal in helping me pursue my aspirations and strive for excellence at IIT Madras.

#### GRATITUDE NOTE



SOHAM NIRMESH GANDHI CE22B109 Department of Civil Engineering

I am immensely grateful to the donors who have made this scholarship possible. Your generosity is not just financial support; it is a testament to your belief in the potential of students like me. This scholarship has given me the confidence to pursue my dreams without hesitation and has inspired me to work harder to achieve my goals. Thank you for your kindness and for being a source of hope and encouragement in my journey. I promise to carry forward this spirit of giving and make a positive difference in the lives of others in the future.





We would like to take this opportunity again to express our heartfelt gratitude to all those who made benevolent contributions towards the growth and development of IIT Madras.





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