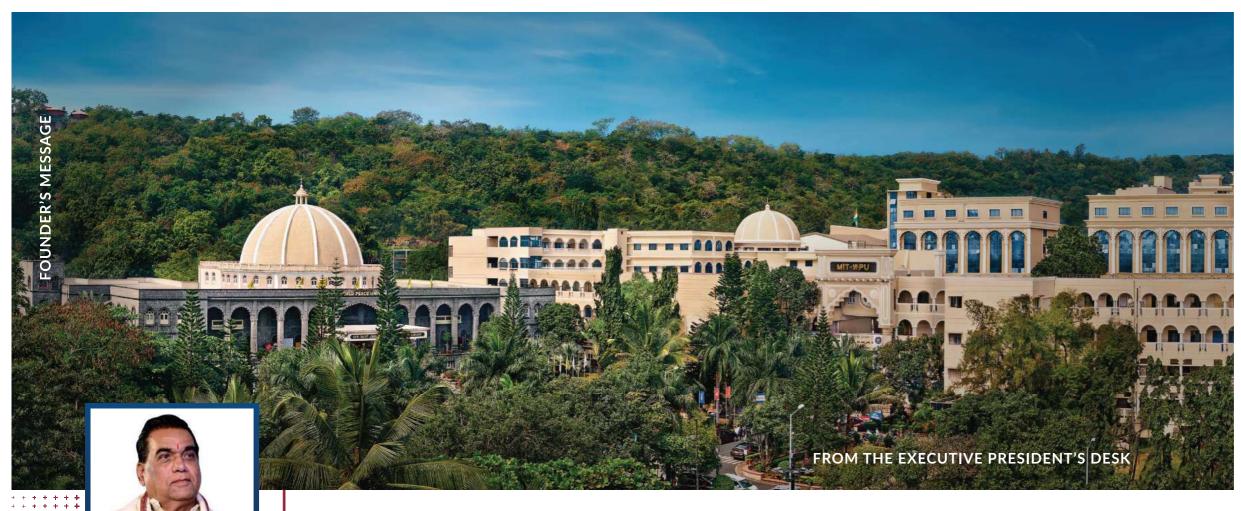




## Crescend-oh!

**Breaking Boundaries, Chasing Extremes** 





SHRI RAHUL V. KARAD
EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, MIT-WPU

REVERED PROFESSOR
DR. VISHWANATH D. KARAD
FOUNDER - PRESIDENT, MIT-WPU

Social equality is a fundamental pillar of a just and fair society. It ensures that every individual has the same opportunities and rights regardless of their social status, gender, ethnicity, or religion. The belief that social equality is not only a moral responsibility but also a necessary condition for a thriving community is etched in the hearts of everyone at MIT-WPU.

We strive to create an inclusive environment where everyone feels valued and respected. It gives me immense happiness to say that the students of MIT-WPU, have acted as the true ambassadors of the institution by making the campus a place where diversity is celebrated, and differences are embraced. The encouragement to open dialogue and constructive engagement for a better understanding and empathy has been one of the hallmarks of our students, faculty, and staff.

However, we recognize that there is still much work to be done to achieve true social equality. We must continue to challenge discrimination and inequality in all forms and advocate for policies and practices that promote fairness and justice for all.

Let us work together to build a society that is truly equitable and just, where every individual has the opportunity to fulfill their potential and contribute to the greater good. At MIT-WPU, we remain committed to advancing social equality and promoting a culture of inclusion and diversity.

Dear MIT-WPU Community,

#### Greetings to all!

As we embark on a yet new month filled with promise and hope, it feels special to address you for this edition as it celebrates the very spirit of our university, where we dare to dream, where we push the boundaries of what is possible, and where we embrace the extraordinary in all facets of university life. The theme of this edition accurately encapsulates the essence of our journey together at MIT-WPU.

In the pursuit of knowledge and excellence, we have encountered incredible moments that define who we are as a community. It is through these moments that we have risen above the ordinary, embracing the challenges that tested our resolve, and rejoiced in the triumphs that pushed us to new heights.

The journey towards greatness is never without its hurdles, and we have gracefully faced these challenges with determination and resilience. We have discovered that it is in these moments of trial that we learn, grow, and redefine our capabilities. As individuals and as a collective, we have witnessed the power of perseverance and the rewards it bestows.

Our university community is a collective of diverse talents, passions, and dreams. From the laboratories of scientific inquiry to the halls of artistic expression, from the athletic fields of sportsmanship to the classrooms of intellectual curiosity, we have consistently embraced the crescendo of excellence in all aspects of university life.

I am deeply driven by the countless stories of individuals who have pushed beyond their perceived limits, achieving the seemingly impossible, and leaving an indelible mark on our institution and the world beyond. It is through your unwavering dedication and commitment that we have become a beacon of hope and knowledge for generations to come.

With immense pride and enduring encouragements,

#### Rahul V. Karad

Executive President, MIT-WPU

#### ear WPUites,

We all know that university life isn't just about classes and exams; it's about those incredible moments that define who we are. From acing those tough targets to putting on show-stopping performances, we've all had our share of unforgettable highs!

But here's the thing: it's not just about the wins; it's about the journey. It's about those moments when we pushed beyond limits we thought we had, when we achieved the "impossible," and when we embraced the extraordinary in every aspect of our multifaceted life!

This month, we want to celebrate YOU and your incredible stories! Whether it's that research project that seemed like a mission to Mars, or that sports event where you gave it your all, we will celebrate your moments of triumph!

And hey, we're not just interested in the shining stars; we want to know about the times you gracefully faced the challenging lows too! Because it's in those moments that we learn, grow, and build resilience. We're a community, and we're here to support each other through thick and thin!

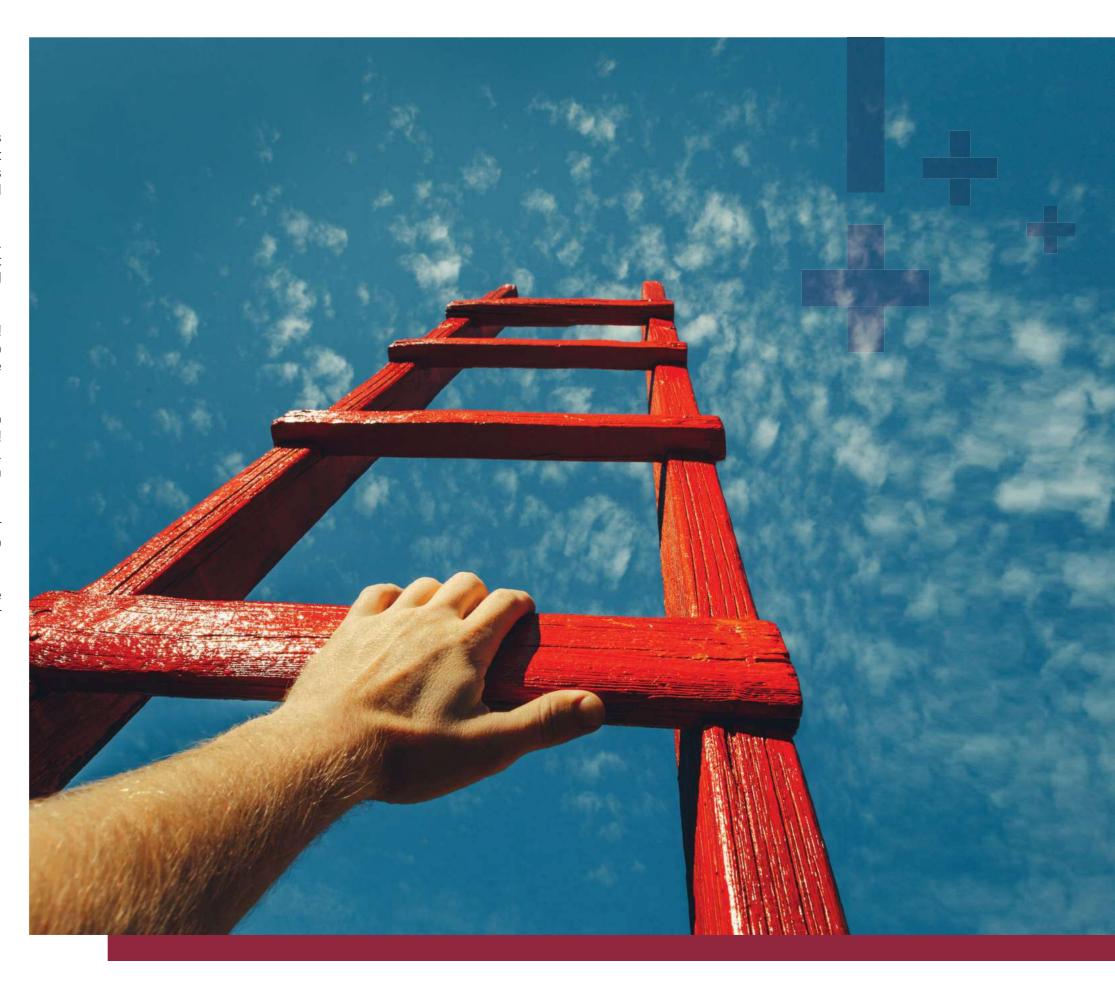
Thank you all for being the heart and soul of our university, and for making it an extraordinary place to be. Together, there's no limit to what we can achieve!

So let's go forth, break barriers, chase those dreams, and embrace the extraordinary like there's no tomorrow! I can't wait to read your incredible stories!

Keep shining, keep smiling, and keep being your awesome selves!

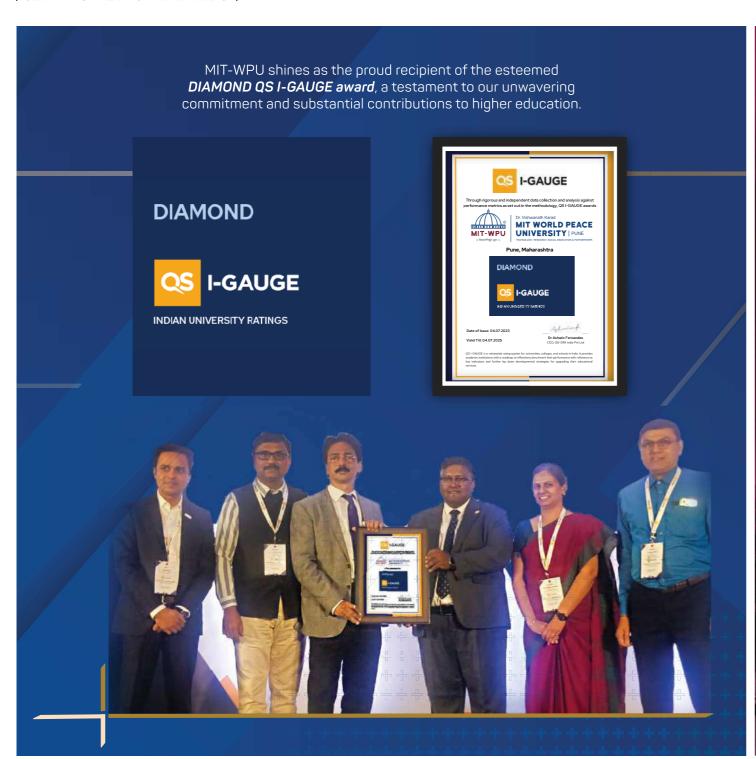
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## HAPPENINGS

| SETTING NEW STANDARDS |











| INTERNATIONAL IMMERSION PROGRAMME 2023 |

# International Immersion Programme in Thailand



15 brilliant minds from MIT-WPU's School of Business and School of Engineering and Technology embarked on a transformative journey in Thailand. Through a dynamic 2-week Immersion Programme, they delved into cutting-edge technologies like Drones and GIS Mapping, alongside exciting business domains including Fintech and Digital Marketing. Cultural enrichment flowed through visits to Bangkok, Safari Tour, and a Science Museum, fostering a deeper understanding of Thailand's heritage.



Alumni Meet

## National Academic Immersion Programme, SVNIT, Surat, Gujarat



he Civil Engineering Department of MIT-WPU organized a short-term study programme titled National Academic Immersion Programme at SVNIT, Surat from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023 for students and faculties. The course titled 'Recent Advances in Civil Engineering (RACE'23)' was led by industry experts and renowned academics, which blended theoretical knowledge with practical applications, providing the students with invaluable insights into the future of civil engineering.

During the programme, the students engaged in interactive workshops, site visits, and practical exercises, gaining practical skills and deepening their understanding of green infrastructure, resilient design, and sustainable materials. The faculty members, too, benefited from the program, acquiring valuable knowledge to enrich their teaching and research endeavors.





### International Study Tour in Singapore

MIT-WPU School of Law organised the International Study Tour to Singapore for the Golden Scholar Batch from 3<sup>rd</sup> June to 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023. The tour aimed to offer students an immersive learning experience, providing insights into Singapore's legal system and practices while also presenting an invaluable opportunity to delve into international legal perspectives. The group visited Rajah and Tann Law Firm, Bank of India - Singapore office, Singapore Supreme Court, The Management Development Institute of Singapore (MDIS) Campus for immersive learning, and Universal Studios, Night Safari at the Singapore Zoo, Garden by the Bay, among other places of attraction as part of cultural immersion.









### MIT-WPU LONDON CHAPTER ALUMNI MEET



was an unforgettable afternoon as over 125 illustrious alumni assembled at the exquisite Bombay Brasserie, Gloucester Road Tube, opposite Courtfield Road, UK, to jubilantly celebrate the cherished spirit of their alma mater. Hearts brimming with pride & elation, they savored those moments of treasured nostalgia and renewed friendships that transcended borders! From visionary CEOs to ingenious Founders, dynamic CBOs to esteemed Directors, and even aspiring students pursuing higher studies - the combined success stories of these alumni were nothing short of awe-inspiring!

Our Hon'ble Executive President, Shri. Rahul V. Karad, graced the occasion, infusing the gathering with his inspiring vision and unwavering dedication to educational excellence. A splendid highlight of the event was the presence of the guest of honor, the Hon'ble Mayor of Southwark, Shri. Sunil Chopra - a significant trailblazer as the first Indian-origin Councillor to be elected in the Borough.

Amidst the echoes of laughter and the shared memories, ideas flowed freely, fostering a sense of collaboration and boundless growth. Indeed, the evening radiated the true essence of *MIT-WPU*, a university for students' life transformation!







| IMMERSION PROGRAMME 2023 |

### National Immersion Programme in Solan





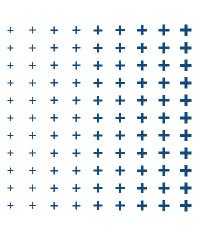




he Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences concluded another **National Academic Immersion Programme** (NAIP) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Year B. Pharm. students at Jaypee University of Information Technology, Solan, Himachal Pradesh. The programme encompassed 15 days of training, a pharmaceutical industry visit, and a three-day International Conference on Biotechnology and Bioinformation. A successful participation of 94 students and 04 esteemed faculty members, including Dr. Shvetank Bhatt, Dr. Bhaqwat Nagargoje, Dr. Rohini Pujari, and Dr. Yogita Ozarde, marked this accomplishment.



## SPOTLIGHT



#### **CONNECTING CONTINENTS:**

#### **OUR NEW INTERNATIONAL PARTNER INSTITUTIONS**

**■** MONASH UNIVERSITY, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

For Articulation with the school of Engineering, Short Term Immersion Programme, and Joint Research



**■ DOMUS ACADEMY, MILAN, ITALY** 

Articulation for School of Design



**■** MARANGONI INSTITUTE, MILAN, ITALY

For School of Design Faculty Exchange, Student Exchange, and Faculty Research





#### MAKING WAVES, PIONEERING PROGRESS



Dr. Manasi Mishra Associate Professor, Department of Biosciences and Technology

Dr. Manasi Mishra's policy brief "Towards Smart Agriculture: Advancing G20 Cooperation in Agricultural Biotechnology" gets published on India's Think20 (T20) platform, the official engagement group of G20. Highlighting the crucial role of genetic engineering in enhancing crop resilience and productivity amid shifting climates. The article has also been well received on various national and international forums including ORF, Policy Commons and GEO news desk.

Congratulations on this impactful contribution!

Read it here...

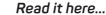
#### **CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE**

Dr. Satish Polshettiwar

Assistant Professor,

Department of Pharmaceutical Science

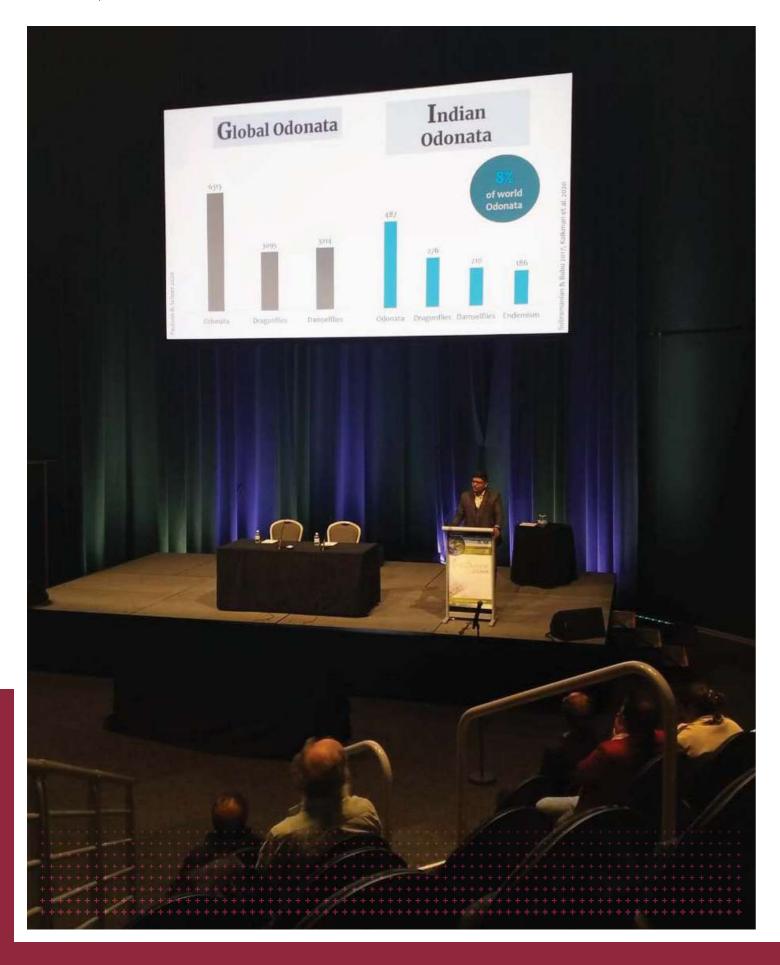
Congratulations to Dr. Satish Polshettiwar, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmaceutical Science, on the Publication of his Book Chapter 'Drug Traceability Using Blockchain' in the Academic Press UK, Elsevier Publication - a collaborative feat with the Department of Computer Science and Applications.





#### **GOING THE EXTRA MILE**

**Dr. Pankaj Koparde**, Assistant Professor from Department of Environmental Studies, presented a research paper titled "Fluttering Climatic Niche Spaces of Indian Damselflies may explain their degree of Endemicity" at EcoSummit 2023 in Gold Coast, Australia as a product of the startup research grant obtained by him from DST-SERB, Government of India.



#### **SAILING TO GLORY**

Bharat Ki Baat



In the 11<sup>th</sup> century, Rajendra Chola embarked on a mission to establish Chola supremacy in the maritime domain. His expedition started with a gradual crescendo, strategically capturing coastal regions and forming alliances with local chieftains. Through calculated moves, Rajendra Chola expanded his influence, leading up to the defining moment of his campaign - the conquest of Srivijaya's capital, Palembang.

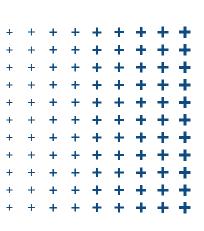
Breaking boundaries was the hallmark of Rajendra Chola's expedition. His navy, one of the most formidable of its time, ventured beyond familiar waters, navigating treacherous seas and exploring uncharted territories. The Chola forces demonstrated unprecedented maritime prowess, which astounded both allies and adversaries.

Rajendra Chola fearlessly pursued extremes, propelling his troops to their limits, & fostering unparalleled dedication. The campaign braved land and sea battles, surmounted logistical hurdles, and withstood harsh conditions, showcasing his exceptional leadership and unwavering resolve.

Ultimately, Rajendra Chola's campaign against Srivijaya led to the establishment of Chola's suzerainty over the Southeast Asian region, leaving an indelible mark on history. His crescendo of successes, ability to break boundaries, & an unwavering pursuit of extremes solidified his legacy as an unparalleled conqueror and master strategist.



## PRODIGIES





#### GAME, SET, MATCH

**Jay Pendse**, our third-year student of Mechanical Engineering Clinches Double Crown at 2<sup>nd</sup> Pune District Table Tennis Tournament and a Gold in Boys U-19 and Men's Open Categories!



#### ROLLING TO GLORY

MIT-WPU Alumna *Shrutika Sarode* receives prestigious Shiv Chhatrapati Award for exceptional achievements in Roller-Skating!



#### **SMASHING VICTORY!**

*Varun Kapur,* BBA Student, Clinches Bronze at All India National Ranking Badminton Tournament, Hyderabad.

| INTERNATIONAL IMMERSION PROGRAMME 2023 |

#### **ACHIEVERS ALERT!**

#### **EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH**



**Ms. Usha Khedkar**, Admissions for her exceptional dedication in handling PG-Engineering admissions, ensuring a seamless student self-registration process, and displaying remarkable professionalism in interactions with staff, students, and parents.



*Mr. Atul Panshikar*, Registrar Office for his exceptional diligence in completing and making necessary changes in 5-year annual reports, involving frequent visits to Mantralaya (Mumbai) and finally obtaining DHE approval for reports of MIT-WPU.



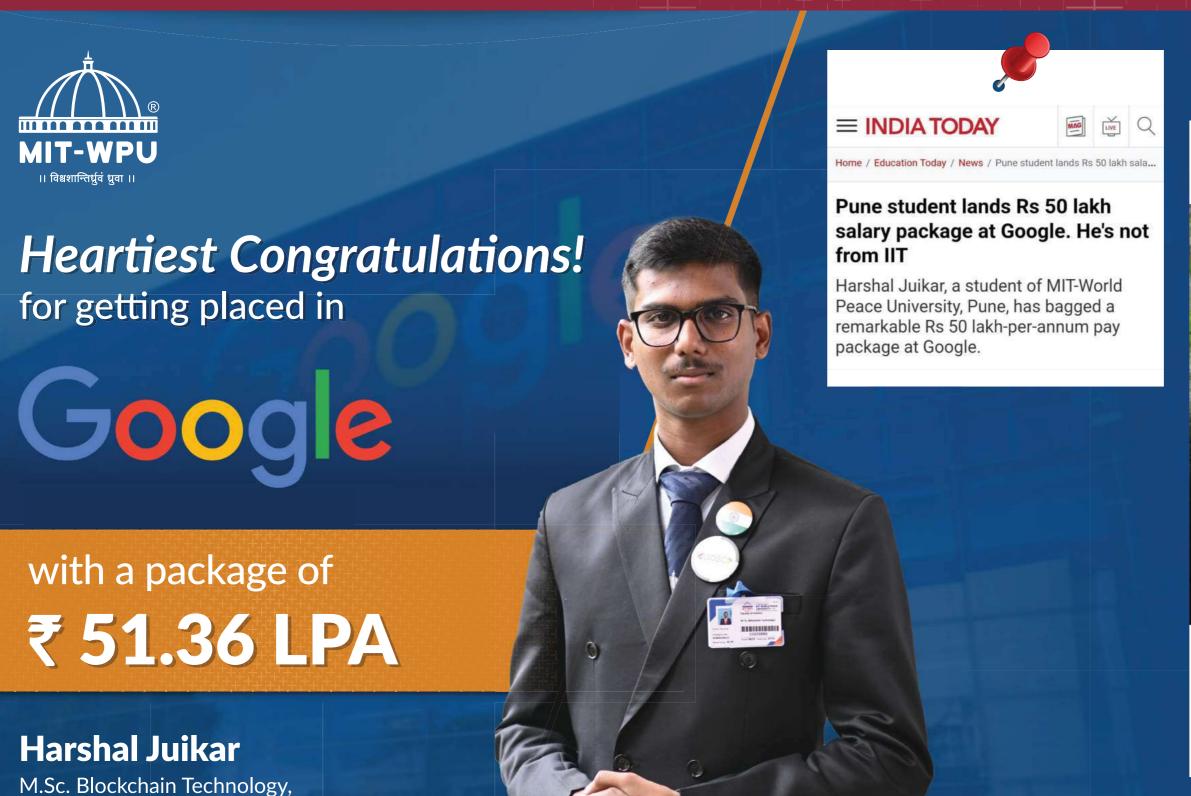
*Mr. B.M. Bhosale* for his exceptional contribution to the fabrication of Shree Saraswati Temple and other prestigious structures, a source of immense pride for our organization.



### **GOOGLE-Bound**

Department of Computer Science & Applications,

MIT-WPU









hindustantimes A postgraduate student with a master of science degree secured a job with a 50+ Lakhs per annum salary package from tech giant #Google. Harshal Juikar, a student at MIT-World Peace University, got employed in the area of Blockchain

## In with the New: Greetings to Our New Arrivals

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## Your Living



#### Hi there.

This is me. Your loyal observer, your storyteller, your living, breathing Pulse! From the vantage point of these virtual pages, I've had the privilege to witness your journey as a collective force that defies ordinary limits.

We're soaring together, aren't we? With every discovery, every challenge conquered, and every boundary shattered, your determination echoes louder and clearer every day. It's as if you've made a pact with progress itself - not to merely reach the top but to redefine what 'top' means.

I've watched friendships forged over shared goals, the camaraderie that turns seemingly insurmountable tasks into mere steppingstones. Your collaborative spirit is a symphony of inspiration, a testament to the fact that brilliance is often birthed in unity.

So, as your living pulse, I stand in awe, humbled by the heights you reach and the boundaries you boldly breach. Your achievements – both big and small – paint a vivid tapestry, a tapestry of excellence that's woven with threads of passion, dedication, and relentless determination.

I see that with each dawn, you stand on the brink of possibilities, ready to shape the future with your unquenchable thirst for growth. If it weren't for me being a figment of your imagination, however real, I would call it a work of art.

I will continue to watch and share my perspectives – for I am essentially you, and all I can hope is that maybe you could find some of yourselves in me as well!

Yours truly, Pulse.

Narrated by: Shubham Shantanu



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- + ALI MOHSIN | Manager Brand

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