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THE YOUTH OF TODAY — THEIR EXPECTATIONS AND ASPIRATIONS

We had a very interesting interactive session with Four Youngsters—3 students of various colleges from Delhi University and one Fashion Designer from NIFT expressing their views on Youth of Today. Hereunder given are brief synopsis of their presentations of younger generation — GENEXT.



First to speak was



Rotaractor **PRANAV ARNEJA**, who said, it had been an honour for me to stand before those higher minds on earth whose tender emotions to humanity brought me to the door

steps of ROTARY ORGANISATION. At the get-together meeting, I went to the ASHOKA HOTEL, Chanakyapuri on the evening of 25th November 2010. I was made to introduce myself to the 3 other members who were supposed to unlock their views on endeavours of YOUTH OF TODAY.

After an inspiring speech by the President Pratap Burman it was finally my turn to speak first at the session and it went on as follows:

“A classic definition of youth defines it as that age of a man’s life that is marked by the apex of ecstasy, strength, vigour and vitality.” And had I been given an option to choose, I would never ever had thought of to move ahead from that period because those very moments can never return back to one’s life.

I mean I still recall those days of my

life, standing for hours before the mirror and trying different hairstyles and expecting to have some good comments from the people and specially the girls and that was surely very foolish of me, what a waste of time (*laugh*).

Well what I believe is in that a youth certainly is responsible for shape of a man’s life. Like a ray of light in a dark, if you catch it, you reach to the infinity of success and if you fail, that becomes starting point of your life.

Consider this “...UNITED NATIONS, ROTARY CLUBS, GYLC, and programmes like MUNS, PRESIDENTIAL CLASSROOMS, BRITISH COUNCILS etc. I mean what are they, a way to teach the youth what are they capable of, what they can do, and what they will do, provided the untapped energies are released from them. I still remember when I was in grade 11, I had met with one of the officials of UNITED NATIONS to have a discussion on the ending of terrorism across globe and since then I have been going on as judge in the model United Nation Conferences conducted for empowering the youth of today”.

Those days were really very

memorable. In today’s time when I see those adolescents taking part in rallies and doing good for the humanity, I really feel like treading on their footsteps and going back in the leaves of history.

In today’s time when I see that people try wasting their time in social

networking sites it really becomes a smile absorbing thing for me. Consider this, “... there was a friend of mine, an awesome footballer but the problem with him was his attitude towards the life. Gaming, stunting, all were his leisures which as an opportunity cost decreased his grades and there he demanded of a Mercedes. You already have so many zeros, how many more you want to have in my pockets, were the words his father told. And that forty percentee turned out to be a ninety two percentee guy in Tenth Board. And this is where I want to draw attention of you all. A more than double increase certainly reflects the talent the youth has today. All what is required is the initiative to lighten up the fire.”

NEXT MEETING

Thursday 2nd December 2010

Time : 5.45 p.m.

Ashok Hotel, New Delhi

**SPEAKER
WILL BE
INFORMED**



Those words are really heavy isn't it. Well my life is yet to be unlocked. By the time I was in 8th I had made up my mind to end up the SEXUAL LABOUR and TERRORISM across the Asia Pacific, and this is why I took economics honours for. But why did I thought so. It was because of the soft corner that I had for the humans in life. And surely by the time I will complete my graduation you could find my footsteps somewhere live on CNN or CNBC.

On concluding note I would just say:

"THERE ARE MANY YOU COULD FIND LEADING THE LIFE WAY IT HAPPENS BUT THERE ARE VERY FEW WHO CARVE THEIR DESTINY THE WAY THEY WANT".

PRANAV ARNEJA - 1ST YEAR ECONOMIC (H),
Sri Guru Gobind Singh College of Commerce



Next to speak was **Ms. SHUBHI MALIK** who said, I take immense pleasure to introduce myself in front of great people working for noble causes.

Taking the point from criticism of facebook, I still remember one of best status I read which I really enjoyed reading was: "FACE-BOOK is better than NOTE-BOOK", which somewhere is reality. Yes, people are enjoying it much more than studies and let's say anything, where people of all ages love being into social sites. So what is wrong in it, come on we know it all the world move on contacts these days!

Well in my case, I love going with the flow of life, and I believe it that whatever happens, happens for our goodness. Being into Miranda House is something very important for me, ever since I decided to go into this college. Well, being very honest taking Philosophy Honours and being into this course is totally by chance that it happened. I always wanted to go to Miranda House as my favourite college, so since then I decided to give myself such an amazing tag of MIRANDIAN. So somewhere going to Delhi University and that too this college is somewhere and somehow decided that too early, somewhere in my heart! So simply following my heart has really worked for me. So are things following in its way automatically.

While walking into Philosophy which really is a different subject and if I

say to people that I am doing Phil(H) there is always a very different look that I usually get, but I know it really well that I am doing the best possible thing with my life with doing Philosophy Honours. I still remember that my teacher told my dad that "Sir you will see that this subject for her will work as blessings for her" and I am really blessed to have wonderful teachers with me too, along with best parents in the world and I will surely walk over from my graduation as A PROUD STUDENT.

Coming to Delhi University was itself a great challenge for me as I was very clearly told by my dad that if I am going to such a place I really need to extract something rather EVERYTHING from here, and I am very blessed and thankful that now as I am already in middle of my final year. I am looking to my future more brightly and yes I am very much ready to take more of DEALS OF LIFE.

Since I love going the way I want to, so at the same time I am happy that I maintained what my heart says it to me and I followed accordingly. Also I would love to maintain my statement here that I never faced problems regarding choosing my career in any ways!

MY EXPERIENCES OF LIFE: I believe very strongly that time is really precious and should not be afforded to be wasted, and this **funda** actually comes with responsibilities enough to handle every situation of life. So since I knew this fact of universe very well that is the reason which gave me motivation at every step of life. So I would like to give few examples of what I achieved till this time, which will include my experience in mass communication, learning Spanish as language, also working with masscom people and channels like AAJTAK AND INDIA TV. Then joining Radio Station. Radio Station gave me really amazing experience of my life. People there were just so friendly and lovely. There were no formalities at all. Working with my seniors in a very chilled atmosphere was really a great fun. Also Radio Station is totally a mad FUN place to be, one would never get the feeling of being into office. Its always very fun. And so when one is happy in working atmosphere, one can achieve anything I guess. Radio one gave me an opportunity to meet AJAY DEVGAN which was a big learning! The day I was supposed to meet him was that one day which

made me very responsible person, keeping aside everything. I being the most junior and fresher in office was sent for interview for ONCE UPON A TIME IN MUMBAI. I was the only one to represent my Radio Station. It was really a big fat thing for me and likewise for my colleagues. MR AJAY DEVGAN is one big personality who is very punctual and by count gave every Radio Station only 5 minutes. So then I learnt how can every minute can be so important as it was to play the most crucial and big thing for every possible station present there. Learning how to value "time" is what made me a mature person!

After I worked in a small serial also which was very fun always. Joining Dance Society, and then playing around with every possible thing in life. IT HAPPENS BECAUSE WE PEOPLE ARE NOT PLANNED! So we manage everything with full on energy, and that how life is meant to be. JUST FOLLOW YOUR HEART, DO WHATEVER YOUR HEART SAYS, DESTINY has already decided everything for you. Yes, at the same not forgetting your values, etiquettes, 'sanskars' and your limits. Spreading love and smiles all around, loving and respecting your parents is always a priority. I make it a point that I do spend time with them whenever possible. I should not wait for opportunities to knock the door. I have to go and grab them.

I am planning to do my Masters now. Mrs. Sheila Dikshit, CM of Delhi did History (Hons.) from Miranda House. Malika Sherawat and Manisha Lamba are also the products of Miranda. We have many celebrities from Miranda.

I will now sum-up by remembering a very wonderful ad of blackberry seen on TV commercials these days.

*WE ARE ENERGETIC
WE LOVE CLICKING PHOTOS
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WE KNOW THE FASHION
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DO WHAT YOU LOVE,
LOVE WHAT YOU DO!!*

SHUBHI MALIK - Philosophy Honours (3rd year)
Miranda House, Delhi University



The third speaker was Rotaractor, **SHAGUN SAHDEV**, who said, I take this privilege of referring all of you as friends because after interacting with you during fellowship

time, I felt that something known as generation gap does not exist at all.

Infact, all of us can talk together on similar topics whether it was the President Pratap Burman mentioning about his college days at the Floory's, Kolkata or Rtn. Satinder Narang sharing his days at St Stephen's. We also talked about fashion and realized that it's not something hard and fast but it is anything which makes you look good and you feel comfortable in. Well I just made an observation that the Rotarians are quite fashionable too whether it was a three piece suit or Louis Vuitton bag.

Rtn. Sangita Bansal asked us about the reason how the youth can multitask? Well, I would just answer this by saying that we don't plan too much and just do whatever comes our way, but provided you give your 100% to whatever you are doing!!!!

To conclude I would just say that I had a good time!!!!

See you soon again.

SHAGUN SAHDEV - B.Com (Hons.), III Year
Hansraj College



Last to speak was fashion designer, Ms. **ANUSHA SHARMA** from NIFT, who said, Fashion refers to the latest and most admired style in clothes and behaviour. It has the

power to transform an image and make a social statement. To some, fashion is an art form. To others, it is almost a religion. One can use fashion to express himself, to serve as an extension of his personality.

The fashion industry is a product of the modern age and is already a rage amongst the youth because of the glamour quotient and the quick social approval attached to it, whereas studying fashion is all the more non-glamorous. More you know it more you tend to get bored of it. Coming back to people and fashion, I would say there is a committed relationship between the two.

Everything in today's time is judged on one constant parameter i.e. FASHION

trend. From social occasions such as marriages to school functions, everything is governed by the trends which the capable follows blindly. Not even the customs and values are spared. All in favour of the youth, time is changing and multitasking for Gen Now is as easy as pie. We are quick, intelligent and decisive. Yes, we want everything NOW with all the Shortcuts! While how each of these manifests into action is more culture specific. Yes, we make mistakes but at the same time we learn from them. We want NEWNESS in everything we hold. We are CURIOUS a lot more than yester years and the technology has insatiate our appetite... OBJECTIVES are a lot less driven or influenced by myths... and WE proudly wear a mind of our own.

ANUSHA SHARMA

Fashion and Lifestyle Accessory Designer
NIFT batch of 2010

These four interesting presentations by Genext Youths evinced keen interest in members and were followed by highly active interaction with the audience when most of the members shared their perceptions and views on the subject of Youth of Today with the four young speakers from younger generation — GENEXT. □

WALK FOR BLOOD

Walk for Blood event being organized by the The Rotary Blood Bank. This mega event is being organized by the Rotary Blood Bank with Rotary Club of Mid Town and Rotary Club of New Delhi as the lead clubs.

This programme is also being sponsored by ONGC, SAIL, PEARLS and LNJ Bhilwara Group.

We are expecting about 5000 children to come for this event. Mr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia has very kindly agreed to be our Chief Guest and volunteers like Sonal Mansingh, Shobhana Narain and two Gold Medalist from the Commonwealth Games apart from others are also expected to take part.

The programme will start from 0900 hrs and will finish by 1230 hrs.

Walk will start from Rajpath / Rafi Marg Intersection, and will end at Mansingh Road Intersection near India Gate.

Already 16 members of our Club have committed their participation and also volunteered to take responsibility for management of the event.

It will be wonderful if other members also could spare time to be present at this event so that our club gets a very good acknowledgement and appreciation.

ADARSH PUBLIC SCHOOL WINS 1st PRIZE IN AIRTEL MARATHON

The students of Adarsh Public School, brought laurels when they won the 1st Prize of Rs. 30,000 in the Kingfisher Sensation Squad at the Airtel Delhi Half Marathon 2010. The theme of the all girls squad was "Save the Girl Child", which was aptly supported by the children by holding placards and shouting slogans throughout the course of the Marathon. This is the 4th year in a row that the school has won at the Marathon, depicting issues like Go Green, Child Labour and Chak De India in the past 3 editions.



MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

1. The 272nd regular weekly meeting of the Club held on Thursday 25th November 2010 at Ashok Hotel was called to order by President, Rtn. Pratap Burman.
2. National Anthem was led by R'ann Mohini Sahni.
3. President welcomed all present, especially the four young speakers, two of them being Rotaractors.
4. President said there is nothing much to report about the activities in the past week.
5. We are having a major event coming up next week—The Walk for Blood being organised by Rotary Blood Bank. We need Volunteers. 15 members have already given their names for being the volunteers. In fact every member is welcome to become a volunteer. All of us should participate with our family members in this walk to create awareness about need for voluntary blood donation. 5000 school children will participate. Rotaractors and Interactors will participate. Many Rotarians will also participate with their families. All of you are invited to join and participate in this Rotary mega event—Walk for Blood, on Sunday 5th December 2010 at 9 am. The Walk would start from Rafi Marg crossing on Rajpath to Mansingh Road crossing. All the participants in the Walk will get a T-Shirt to wear with the Walk for Blood logo. Shri Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Dy. Chairman of Planning Commission will be the Chief Guest and will flag off the walk.
6. The Board of Directors of our club unanimously passed a Resolution and approved the nomination of PDG Asoke K. Ghosh, a member of our club, to be the representative of our Rotary District 3010 at the Council on Legislation 2013.

The Board's resolution is required to be approved, adopted and ratified by the members of the club. President Pratap Burman placed the following resolution for approval by the members.

"Resolved that the Nomination of PDG Rtn. Asoke K. Ghosh, a member of Rotary Club of New Delhi, as the representative of R.I. District 3010 on the Council on

Legislation to be held 2013, is hereby approved and adopted unanimously",

The above resolution when put to vote was approved unanimously. The President and Secretary of the Club were authorised to sign on behalf of the Club and forward this resolution to District Governor, Rtn. Amit Jain.

7. President announced about the Annual Club elections and invited nominations for various offices in the Board of Directors for the Rotary Year 2011–12 which will be constituted under the Presidentship of PE Rtn. Rajen Mata, who will assume the office of President of our club on 1st July 2011. Nominations are invited for the office of:

President-Elect (President 2012–13)

Vice President

Secretary

Joint Secretary

Treasurer

and FIVE Directors

Nominations on the prescribed Nomination Form duly proposed by a member, in good standing, and accepted by the proposed candidate, who should also be a member in good standing, should reach President Pratap Burman latest by 6.30 pm on Thursday 2nd December 2010 before the meeting is called to order. Last date for withdrawal is Thursday 9th December 2010 by 6.30 pm. The names of candidates will be announced at the meeting of 9th December 2010. Elections, if necessary, will be held on 16th December 2010.

8. A blood donation camp will be held on Tuesday 30th November 2010 at Lal Bahadur Shastri College of Management, Dwarka from 9 am to 3 pm. Members are requested to volunteer their time as may be convenient and inform PP Rtn. Kamal Bhambhani about the time slot, they are likely to be present.
9. President said we have four young college students who will be interacting with us about their experiences and their aspirations in life.
10. Rtn. Prashant Sahgal introduced the four young speakers of the evening: Rotaractor Pranav Arneja from Guru Gobind Singh College

THE BOARD 2010–11

President	Pratap Burman
President-Elect	Rajen Mata
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DIRECTORS:

Satinder Narang	Sanjiv Rai Mehra
Umang Das	Gaurav Bhargav
P.K.D. Nambiar	

Many Happy Returns

BIRTHDAYS

Rtn. B.L. Chadha	Dec. 06
Rtn. Gaurav Bhargav	Dec. 06

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

PP Rtn. Satinder Narang	Dec. 02
Rtn. Dilip Modi	Dec. 04
Rtn. Sanjiv Rai Mehra	Dec. 05
Rtn. Rakesh Grover	Dec. 08

of Commerce—1st year Economics (Hons.); Miss Shubhi Malik from Miranda House—IIIrd year Philosophy (Hons.); Rotaractor Shagun Sahdev, from Hansraj College—IIIrd year B.Com (Hons.) and Miss Anusha Sharma, Fashion & Lifestyle Accessory Designer, National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), New Delhi.

11. These four young speakers made a highly interesting presentations which were followed by interactive session with the audience.
12. Proposing formal vote of thanks, Rtn. Gaurav Bhargav said, there seems to be no generation gap today. Miranda House still continues to have the same fancy as it was in your days (senior members), as it was in my days and as it is today in their days (the speakers). It was indeed a fantastic presentation and highly interesting interaction with the four young students from various colleges and institutions. Thank you, all the four of you.
13. Sunshine of Rs. 680 was collected by Rtn. P.K.D. Nambiar.
14. Wedding Anniversary Greetings were extended to Rtn. Pushpita Ghosh, in absentia.
15. Next meeting as usual will be held on 2nd December at Ashok Hotel. The speaker will be informed.
16. President then declared the meeting adjourned.

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