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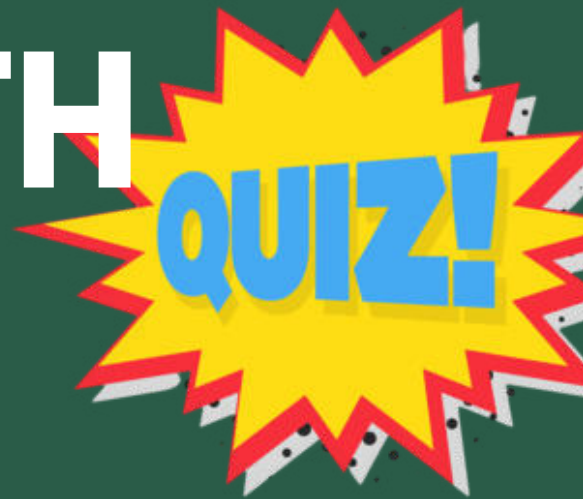
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Number of members	1691 (As on November, 2024)
Total Alumni Count (approx.)	2100
Number of Batches	34
LinkedIn Followers	1265
X(Twitter) Followers	281
Instagram Followers	715
Facebook (IIFM Alumni Endowment Fund) members	731



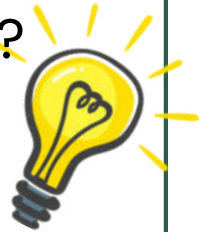
QUIZ OF THE MONTH





QUESTION FOR DECEMBER:

Who among the alumni was interviewed by Aamir Khan in his show Satyamev Jayate?



Previous edition question:

The architecture of IIFM campus is inspired by which historical town ?



Answer to the Quiz question of November:

Mandu, Madhya Pradesh

ALUMNI IN NEWS



Jagjeet Sareen (PFM 2005), Partner, Global Climate Practice, Dalberg Advisors, New Delhi

<https://youtu.be/HPHO5SXYH5w?si=d3OZK2AUZkXIFt5A>

Dr. Ajith Chandran (PFM 1993)

https://www.linkedin.com/posts/drajithchandran_watersecurity-technologyforgood-sustainabledevelopment-activity-7260281192350916608-BVve?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_android

Dr Ajith Chandran's Post



Dr Ajith Chandran

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I recently had the opportunity for an interview with [TheCSRUniverse](#) to discuss one of the most pressing issues of our time: India's escalating water crisis. Water scarcity and urban flooding are impacting both cities and rural areas: think of Bengaluru, Delhi, and Chennai under water stress, and rural communities grappling with droughts and depleted groundwater.



Another podcast by Professor Srinivasan R (PFM 1993) as a guest. How will Ola and Uber avoid “death by a thousand cuts”?

Read more at: <https://the-ken.com/podcasts/two-by-two/how-will-ola-and-uber-avoid-death-by-a-thousand-cuts>

IIFMights at COP-29, Baku Azerbaijan



L to R: Prabhat Upadhyaya and Soumya Guha



Rohit Magotra



Vaibhav Chaturvedi

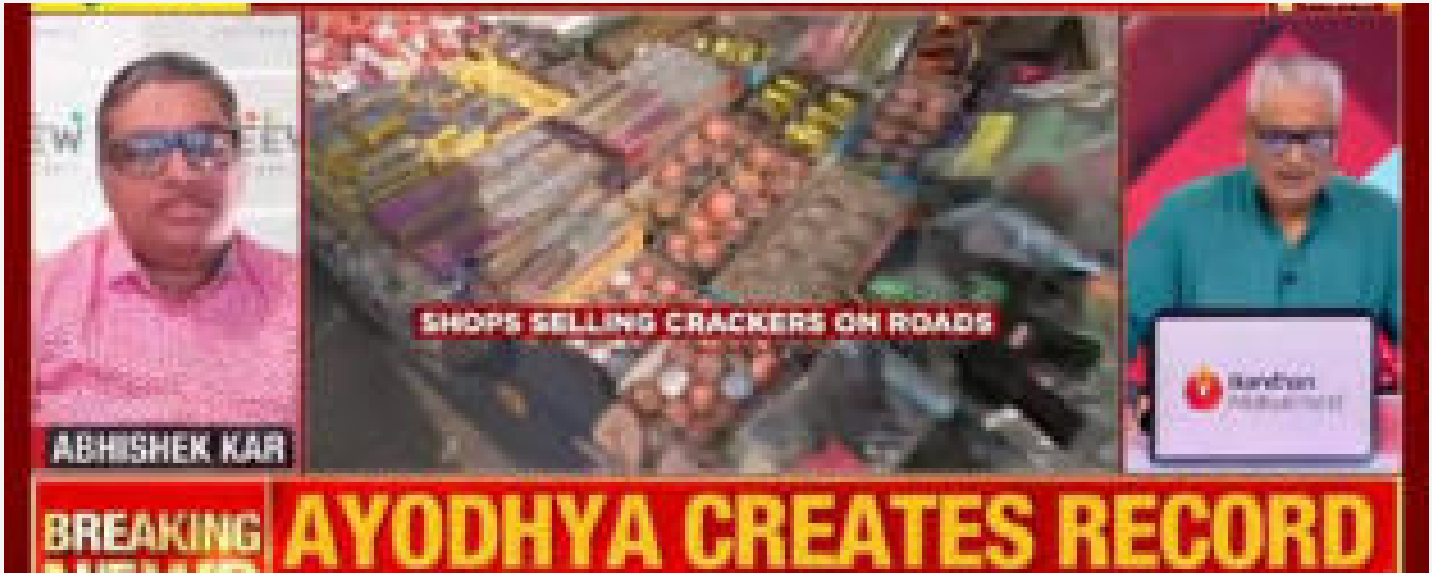


Swapan Mehra

When the world leaders gathered at Baku, Azerbaijan (11-22 November 2024) for Conference of Parties (COP-29) of United Nations Framework Conventions of Climate Change (UNFCCC), IIFMights were very much in place to contribute in this important event which mentioned “This new finance goal is an insurance policy for humanity” - Simon Stiell at close of COP29.

Among those who were present in this important event were:

- Rohit Magotra (PFM 2000), Deputy Director, Integrated Research & Action for Development (IRADE)
- Vaibhav Chaturvedi (PFM 2003), Senior Fellow at Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW)
- Soumya Guha (PFM 2004), Global Programs Director at Plan International | Leadership | ESG & Sustainability | Diversity and Inclusion, Plan International, United Kingdom
- Prabhat Upadhyay (PFM 2006), Advisor, The African Climate Foundation
- Swapan Mehra (PFM 2006), Founder- Iora Ecological Solutions



A clip from a recent interview where Abhishek gave Rosogolla analogy to Diwali Firecrackers in the India Today Prime Time with Rajdeep Sardesai

Abhishek Kar (PFM 2007), Senior Program Leader CEEW

Business education

+ Add to myFT

AI tools enhance judgment of relevance of research to society

Tech-based analysis for the FT shows how business schools' work is aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals

A Financial Times article has listed one of the papers by Prof. S Arun (PFM 2012), Assistant Professor of Marketing at IIM Ahmedabad, among the top 10 management papers globally with the highest social impact:

<https://www.ft.com/content/1160d247-be62-4dbe-9a36-7a99a8f96ae4>

Photo Please



Sandeep Chakravorty (PFM 1991)

<https://sandiplomat.blogspot.com/2022/03/no-photo-please.html>

History, Naturally: Earth, Climate and Human Cycles



Host Susan Mathews in conversation with Pranay Lal (PFM 1994), a natural history writer, public health expert, and climate change advocate.



ALUMNI WORLD



Alumni meet hosted by Puneet Budhiraja at his home in Dehradun.
L to R: Lakshya Vijay Singh (PGDFM 2007-09),
Abhishek Chauhan (PGDFM 2010-12),
Puneet Budhiraja (PGDFM 1991-93),
Jaspal Shakya (PGDFM 2004-06)
Santosh Passi (PGDFM 1993-95)

Reunion of IIFMights at Guwahati in a workshop organized by Forest-PLUS 3.0 on November 11, 2024.
L to R: Dhruba Jyoti Sengupta, Manager, Agri, Rural & Livelihood, EY; M Phil, Natural Resource Management, 1995-96; Rittika Barua* , Consultant, Intellecap; PGDFM 2018-20; Ayushi Pandey, Program Associate, Forest-PLUS 3.0; PGDFM 2022-24; Kiran K. P., Regional Director, Forest-PLUS 3.0; PGDFM 2010-12; Abhijit Dutta, Regional Director, Forest-PLUS 3.0; PGDFM 2014-16



IIFMights Reunion at EY Guwahati
From L to R: Dhruba Jyoti Sengupta, M.Phil 1995-1996, Probal Deep Das, PGDFM 2008-2010, Avinash B H, PGDFM 2020-2022, Saisri Reddy, PGDFM 2022-2024, Peteneinu Patricia, PGDFM 2018-2020, Shakti Saha, M.Phil 2005-2006, Chiteshwar Kumar, PGDFM 2017-2019



IIFMights get-together at Samavit office NOIDA

L to R: Rajeev Singh (presently Student ANC Coordinator), Siddhartha Das (PFM-2004), Sachin Kumar Sir (PFM-2003, Founder Samavit), Shardul Mandloi (2018-2020), Ankit Pandey (2019-2021)

IIFMights get together in Bhopal

LtoR: Apoorva Singh (PFM 2011), Richa Singh* (PFM 2011), Saransh Bajpai* (PFM 2010), Sahil Wali (PFM 2011), Karan Girdhar (PFM 2011), Atul Singh (PFM 2008), and Achal Gupta (PFM 2011)



IIFMights meeting in Canada

Nilanjan and Rati (PFM-1996-98) (in blue jackets) and Advait Mohale* (PFM- 2011-13), Prof. Madhu Verma





Diwali Dinner in Bhopal

L to R: Kallol (PFM 2008), Radhika (PFM 2000), Nelson (PFM 1997), Nikhil (PFM 2000)

IIFMights at Sankalp Bharat, Varanasi

LtoR: Imran(PFM 2011)-Evolver Agro, Saurav (PFM 2009) - GFI, Piyush (PFM 2018)- APAG, Ritesh (PFM 2010) - Sounya, Vineet (PFM 1995) - Founder Aavishkaar Group, Manoj (1st batch 1990)- CIFOR, Ravi (1991)- Exec Director, Renuka Sugar, Jayesh (PFM 1995)- MD, Intellecip, Siddhant (2020) - Aavishkaar Foundation



At IHC New Delhi- celebrating 20 years of Sambodhi

L to R: Kulranjan - PFM 2001, Radhika - PFM 2000, Anish - PFM 1994, Swapnil - PFM 2000, Indrajit- PFM 2002, Kultar - PFM 2000, Dharmendra - PFM 2000, Sachin - PFM 2003





The reunion after almost two decades

L to R: Vivek (MRM 2004), Sumit Roy (MRM 2004), Murli Dhar (MRM 2003).

IIFMights met at Bhubaneswar

LtoR: Satyajit Das (PFM-2007) presently CFO of Annapurna Finance, Vaibhav (PFM-2008) presently Head of Institutional Finance at Annapurna Finance, Prof. PK Biswas Sir (IIFM ex-faculty), Suraj (PFM-2007) presently Head Internal Audit at Annapurna Finance



At MOEFCC, New Delhi

L to R: Sudish (PFM 2016)
Advait Edgaonkar (PFM 1993)



**At Sankalp Bharat program, Varanasi
Sanjoy Ghosh (PFM 1992-94) GM, NABARD (first from left), Shailesh Nagar
(PFM 1995-97) Partner at Intellecap Advisory Services Private Limited (last
from left)**



IIFM students with Sandip Chowdhury (PFM 2016 batch),

**He is the Reporting Officer for project work at ISB, Hyderabad.
Sandip is the National Coordinator for the BIPP program at ISB**



IIFMights meeting in Canada

L to R:

Anjali Kaul from IIFM's 1st batch
Dr. Madhu Verma (IIFM ex-faculty)
Anjali was visiting Canada from USA,
met Dr. Madhu Verma at her
friend's place in Oshawa near
Toronto

At New Delhi, Event organised by one of
ASA's partner organization -Organic
Cotton Accelerator

L to R: Snehit Roy (PFM 2017) second
from left , Achin Phulre (PFM 2014) third
from left , Jayanthi G (PFM 1991) fourth
from left, Dheeraj Nedhuthody (PFM
2018) fifth from left



ALUM OF THE MONTH





ALUM OF THE MONTH

NOVEMBER 2024

This certificate recognises the contribution of
RENUKA SAROHA (PFM 08-10)



WE ARE DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE RENUKA SAROHA, FROM THE PFM BATCH OF 2010, AS THE ALUM OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER 2024. RENUKA'S DEDICATION TO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IS TRULY INSPIRING. HER DESIRE TO CONTRIBUTE MEANINGFULLY TO THE COMMUNITY LED HER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOG ELECTIONS, HIGHLIGHTING HER COMMITMENT AND LEADERSHIP.

HER VISION FOR FOSTERING STRONGER ALUMNI CONNECTIONS AND ENHANCING COLLABORATION WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION EXEMPLIFIES HER PASSION FOR GIVING BACK TO HER ALMA MATER. WE CELEBRATE HER ACHIEVEMENTS AND WELCOME HER AS PART OF THE NEW BOG.


PRESIDENT



CAMPUS THIS MONTH





IIFM conducted a 2-week training program on 'Applications of Geoinformatics' sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology (DST) exclusively for women scientists from state and central government agencies.



Vivek Kumar Mishra, Director, GPS, EY, delivered a lecture on 'Forest Hydrology in the changing climate: Planning, Practice, and Policy viewpoints' in the Capacity Development Program.



IIFM, Bhopal, hosted a three-day Auditor's Training Program on IFWCS 'PRAMAAN' under the TOFI initiative, focusing on sustainable forestry practices. Eminent speakers and experts guided participants through technical sessions on auditing principles, IFWCS standards, and certification processes, emphasizing the scheme's benefits for farmers, industries, and stakeholders across India.



IIFM conducted a 3-day training program on 'Management of Women-led Enterprises' aimed at empowering women Self-Help Group (SHG) members that brought together a diverse group of aspiring women entrepreneurs from the states of Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, and Uttar Pradesh.



In its way forward in empowering change, IIFM Bhopal hosted a capacity-building program on Forest Hydrology in a Changing Climate from Nov 19-22, 2024, fostering discussions on sustainable forest management, climate resilience, and integrated water resource planning.



IIFM Bhopal successfully concluded a 3-day training on Sustainable and Green Finance for government officers, focusing on innovative financial practices to drive green development and align with SDGs.

ALUMNI IN CAMPUS





Kallol (PFM 2008) with present students of IIFM for a Deepawali Party from Kallol

During the long weekend (15th-17th Nov 2024) Alumni from the 2022-24 batch visited IIFM
R to L:
Nalin (came from Mumbai), CVRS Sir, Shrirang- (came from Nagpur/Gurgaon), Vishesh- (came from Delhi), Nikhil- (Shahpura, Bhopal)
Vishesh is holding a special gift for CVRS Sir...gifted by two of his batchmates, who did their OT with Olam Group



Mr. Rajaneesh R, PGDFM 2015 with 1st year students



Vivek Mishra (MRM 2004) at IIFM as an Expert for the MDP Program

Top Picture: Praveen Khedale (PFM 2010), and Vivek Mishra (MRM 2004) with 1st yr students at IIFM Guest house

Middle Picture (Left row): Yogesh (PFM 2020), Aman (PFM 2024), Vivek Mishra (MRM 2004) at IIFM Mess with 2nd yr students

Bottom Picture: Post Dinner stroll inside IIFM Campus, Vivek Mishra (MRM 2004), Kallol (PFM 2006)

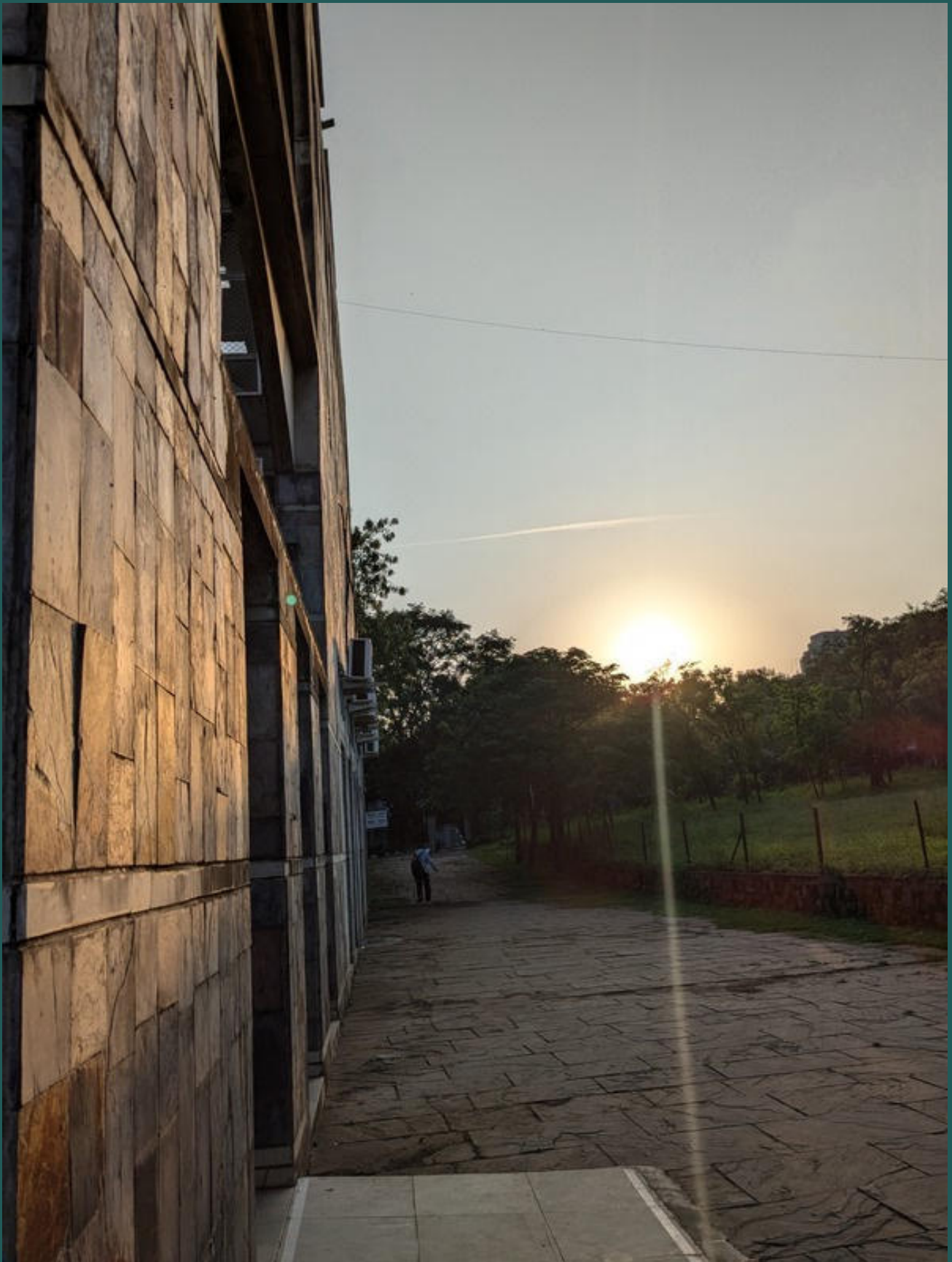
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Sunita Narain: A Voice for India's Environment

Sunita Narain, a renowned environmentalist and Director General of the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), is a prominent figure in India's fight for environmental justice. Known for her groundbreaking advocacy on climate change, water management, and sustainable development, Narain has significantly influenced policy decisions. Her pivotal work includes spearheading campaigns for rainwater harvesting and promoting decentralized water management systems, critical in addressing India's water scarcity issues. She has also been a vocal advocate for sustainable industrial practices, contributing to discussions on clean energy transitions and air pollution control. Narain's efforts gained global recognition when she co-authored the influential Citizen's Report on the State of India's Environment. Her work earned her accolades like the Stockholm Water Prize and a place among Time magazine's 100 most influential people in 2016. Narain's tireless dedication continues to inspire a balance between economic development and ecological sustainability in India.

**PHOTOGRAPHS
OF THE
MONTH**



IIFM in its glory

Photo By- Anand Raj PFM 2023-**25**



The serenity of the sunset

Photo By- Kiran Renu Naik PFM 2024-**26**

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APPEAL



Emergency Support Fund (ESF)

The IIFM Alumni Association (AA) is proposing the ESF to help IIFM Alumni in the times of distress.

Scope of Financial Support:

Financial help will be extended to the AA members in the following situation:

- AA member facing prolonged/ critical illness, rendering them unable to work
- AA member who has/had a major accident
- AA member who is facing permanent disability.

Support Us

Dear Alumni, thank you for all your open hearted engagement and support to various calls for financial contributions that we made. This has gone a long way in building up the AA and we find ourselves in a reasonable position. However, as you are well aware, finances are required constantly. We request you to contribute generously to the AA. The bank details and QR code is given here.



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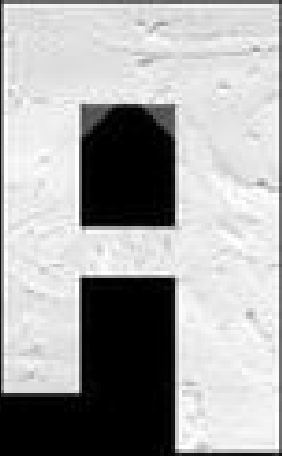
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