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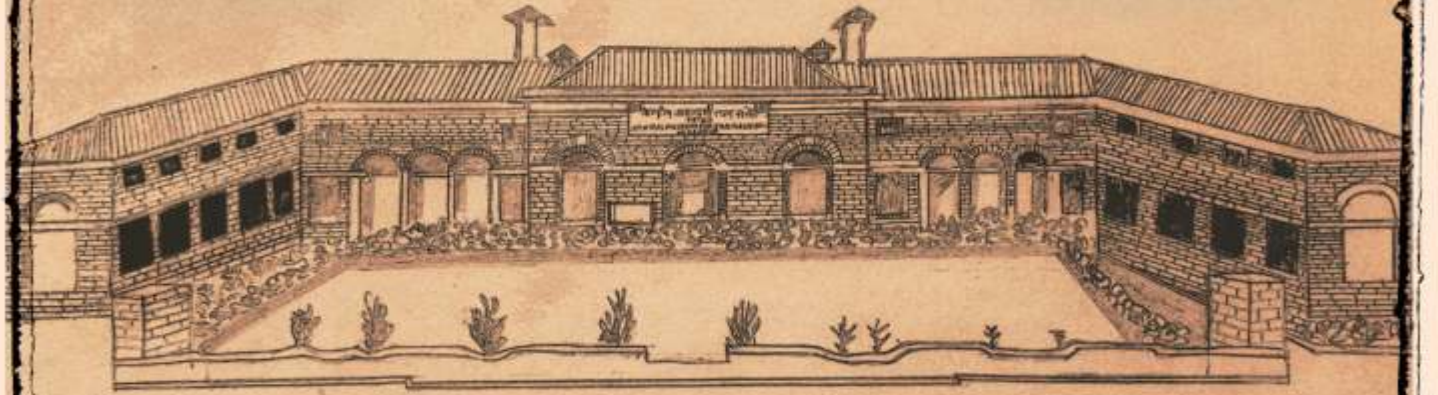
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Message

I am glad to know that probationers of 35th SFS Induction Course of CASFOS, Dehradun are coming with a batch book लम्हें to place their sweet memories of the two-year long training period. I am sure this treatise will be a reference point for the anecdotes for the times ahead for the faculties and the upcoming batches as well.

I congratulate the entire team involved in this endeavor and wish all the best to whole of the batch in their respective cadres. I am sure you all shall excel in your respective fields of posting and create a niche for your self bringing a good name to the service by serving the nation for its posterity and prosperity.

*-Anurag Bhardwaj, IFS
Director, DFE, Dehradun*





Principal
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Message

The two-year journey of Officer trainees of 2021-2023 SFS Induction Course at CASFOS, Dehradun has been eventful with tremendous learning through classroom sessions, field exercises, field tours across different states, hands on training during OJT, sports and cultural activities. The morale and enthusiasm of the batch has been high all throughout and none has shied away from any of the duties assigned to them. Credit goes to this batch for initiating the publication of the academy's monthly magazine aptly titled "Floresta" which documents the academic and cultural events at the campus. Floresta has been widely appreciated by one and all. The batch book "लम्हे" is a result of the creative persona of the officer trainees and will serve as a cherished repository of memories of time well spent at the Academy.

I congratulate Shri Amlendu Pathak, IFS, Course Director of the batch and the entire editorial team led by Ms. Sayani Nandy for coming out with this well edited book. My sincere wishes to all the Officer Trainees for a happy personal life and a successful career ahead.

-Meenakshi Joshi, IFS
Principal, CASFOS, Dehradun





From the Course Director's Desk

It is a moment of pride and satisfaction that the two-year long training program of the 35th State Forest Service Induction Course (2021-23) has come to an end at CASFOS, Dehradun. There cannot be any better way to sum up the experience than coming up with a book which comprises of all the emotions, ups and downs, memories and moments of this journey.

33 Officer Trainees from 5 different states embarked on this journey in August 2021 that took them through the mountains and valleys, through the dry patches and greener pastures, through the highs and lows, and from different boundaries to comradeships. After going through the long list of subjects in Forestry, and through the rigorous training regime at the academy, the trainees are ready to go back to their states as officers of the forest department.

What awaits them is a path filled with challenges. The world and its people are seeking more from the forests than what ever was. As a modern forester, the passing out officers have to use all their learnings and skills to not just safeguard the forest of the country, but also provide livelihood options and improve financial condition of the people depending on forests. While one journey has come to an end, another one awaits. But this time, they will be in even closer proximity of the forest.

My best wishes to all the 33 passing out officers of the 35th SFS Induction Course. May you do wonders in the field and make us proud of your achievements.

*-Amlendu Pathak, IFS
Course Director, 35th SFS IC (2021-23)*



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OUR FACULTIES

Meet the lady with a vision for the academy. She took the charge here as principal on 03-03-2022 and since then there is no looking back for her. She has changed the face of academy on many fronts by introducing many administrative and policy changes in the functioning of academy. The much-needed structural changes and innovations are introduced during her tenure at academy. (- *Samvedana*)



Smt. Meenakshi Joshi

A person who can ignite the imagination, we can all agree that he truly has a gift of influencing lives inside and outside the classroom. With his catchy lines like “come out of your silos”, “leaders of the planet” and “intellectually stimulating performance”, he never fails to impress us. Classes may be serious, but teaching doesn’t always have to be when it comes to Sir. He comes up with many games be it the balloon game to human knot, knowledge cafe to broken squares, full of endless fun and learnings. No need to worry when it comes to exam because he makes the easiest question paper to solve. Keep on being awesome Sir. (- *Apoorva*)



Shri Pradeep Wahule

Very sporty, soft spoken, no show-off kind of personality, practical person and an officer with integrity who never hesitates to share her varied experiences in the field. A synonym for discipline in the Academy. (Lady OTs knows better ...bun kyo nhi banaya!). One hardly sees such a down to earth person nowadays. Beula Ma'am's words are always caring. She goes by the rules, and rules are the same for all. (- *Chandan*)



Smt. T. Beula Ezhil Mathi

Our Course Director, Shri Amlendu Pathak Sir. He is a good photographer and badminton player. He is an excellent football player too and never misses the chance to play with OTs during Games. One must learn from him, how to remain calm and composed. As our CD, he often takes sessions on how the training is going, how we are doing and listens to us, whenever we had a problem. He has taught us many things like, first observe the situation and then only make a decision, how not to react in every situation and things like that. (- *Anshu*)



Shri Amlendu Pathak

We boasted a lot to others for getting “Sherni IFS” Ma’am as a part of our very own CASFOS fraternity. Your practical approach towards the training curriculum, e.g., group presentations on wildlife offence cases, peer learning activities during the Environmental Economics classes will always be remembered. (- *Sayani*)



Smt. K.M. Abharna

We had the opportunity of being present in your RS/GIS classes, where you taught us different concepts very lucidly. Also, some of us, who were a part of your CGM group, had the opportunity of relishing a variety of snacks with you, Sir. (- *Sayani*)



Shri Ankit Gupta

The tough guy, who made us run daily for 3-4 km in the morning PT time & compulsory two rounds of the sports ground in the evening, will always be remembered by us, for some of his famous remarks: “Side jump begins...timing ke saath...” or during push ups, “up up up....down down down!!!!” (- *Sayani*)



Shri P.N.Suyal

As Suyal Sir was super strict, you had to be somewhat lenient with us. We really enjoyed with you Sir, during the morning yoga/PT sessions, especially when you would say, “bahut badiya Samvedana, leke chalo...” or “ye kya kar rahe ho Shuvajit?....”, “aap bhi on duty, PTI Anupam Verma bhi on duty” (- *Sayani*)



Shri Anupam Verma

The Two Year Long Journey...

After getting selected as Assistant Conservator of Forests from different states of India, we were sent for undergoing residential training of two years in one of the premier academies of forestry of the country, Central Academy for State Forest Services, Dehradun, which is inside the prestigious FRI campus in Dehradun, Uttarakhand. We came from five different states, eighteen from Uttar Pradesh, eight from West Bengal, four from Meghalaya, two from Nagaland and one from Maharashtra. Initially, we were really overwhelmed by the busy daily as well as weekly schedules, comprising of 6 a.m. PT, day-long lectures, evening games, last minute assignments, group presentations, examinations etc. Gradually, all of us got used to the Academy life.

Apart from the routine academic schedules, we also completed four major tours (West India, South India, North India & East India) along with the Introductory Tour at Kanasar, where we got to learn about the different forestry activities and work culture present throughout the country. Apart from the All India Tours, we had completed three major technical exercises: Ecological Census Techniques, Watershed Management Exercise and Working Plan Exercise, which really helped us to learn the nuances of different field activities. After completing almost one year in the Academy, when the 36th SFS Batch comprising of seven different states join in the Academy, the campus truly represented mini-India, which was manifested through many grand events like Intramural Sports meet, Holi Milan Samaroh, All India Forest Sports Meet, Inter-state food festival etc.

We also got the opportunity to have a brief exposure towards weapon training, horse-riding, driving, swimming etc. which boosted our self-esteem to some extent. Different activities, be it academic or cultural ones, shaped each of us individually to grow to a better individual.

Now, being a part of the CASFOS fraternity, we will always try to keep our spirit high and work accordingly to maintain the good name of the Academy.

-Sayani Nandy



OUR ACADEMY: GLIMPSE OF OUR CAMPUS





CASFOS MAIN GATE



GYMNASIUM



VOLLEYBALL COURT



FOOTBALL GROUND



LAWN TENNIS COURT



INDOOR BADMINTON COURT



INDOOR TABLE TENNIS COURT



ACADEMY BADMINTON COURT



INDOOR CARRON CORNER



ASSEMBLY / PLAY GROUND

OFFICER'S MESS & OUR MESS STAFF

Mess comes to refer to a group of people, usually four in number, who sit together at a meal and are served from the same dishes, which soon evolved into a name of any group that eat together. The SFS Officer trainees run their own mess with the elected Mess Secretary from amongst the officers looking after the overall functioning of the mess and a Mess Duty Officer assigned daily from amongst the batch to look after the daily functioning of the mess. A team of dedicated staff, including cooks, saucier, butlers and cleaners, working around the clock, carry out the working of the mess. The mess also continues to operate on the outdoor exercises of the OTs like Introductory Tour, Working Plan and Ecological Census Technique Exercise. The Mess is more of a traditional institution than a mere utilitarian one, for life long bonds of camaraderie created when one breaks bread with the colleagues.

The Mess is not just limited to the probationers, but it also hosts all the dignitaries and senior officials for high tea or dinner whenever they visit the probationers. Some traditions of the mess have been carried on since decades and Passed out officers from the senior batches always reminisce the times they spent here during their period of probation.

-Savior J. Sangma

Balbir ji, the head chef of our mess; he has the blessings of Maa Annapurna. He makes such varied and delicious dishes; be it veg or non- veg. One can easily say for his dishes "पेट भर जाता है, लेकिन मन नहीं। Bharat ji- the man whose voice can shake the building of the hostel "चाय सर, चाय सर". He takes care of all who have eaten, who is late for lunch/ dinner. He takes due care of everyone's choices. His chai is famous among all. Manvir ji- the second chef, he is a bit shy but hard working. Indra Mani and Abhishek are more in serving the food. They answer to every call and make sure you get your food गरमा गरम.

-Anshu Chawla





OFFICERS' CLUB ACTIVITIES



PT & GAMES: THE SAGA OF DEEP BREATHE IN...RELEESE....

“Today I know that physical training should have as much place in the curriculum as mental training.”-Mahatma Gandhi

What has the physical training aspect got to do with the training process in the life and career of an OT. The same question makes an OT even wonder on its utility, the moment they are informed that they have to be ready for the PT at 6'O clock in the morning. The PT starts at 6:00 am but you need to be in the field before 5.55 am and when they say 5.55 they mean 5.55. You reach late and you need to go for extra rounds of field. In CASFOS “everything is compulsory unless stated otherwise”, hence you are always busy in one thing or the other. You need to shave before coming for PT since an Officer Trainee cannot look shabby even at 6 am in the morning. So, that’s how the day starts, no matter what time you sleep, it is most of the times late in the night, given the amazing people you meet in the academy and the friends you make here, surely you can’t expect to be sleeping early. A very grand feeling of utter happiness flows in when it rains and majority of the OTs think that there is no PT but that isn’t the case always. The PT will anyhow take place inside the badminton court. The funny part is that many trainees will be wearing their entire sportswear along with the socks before going to bed at night itself and just get up in the morning, wear the shoes and run to the PT ground. There are people who even pretend to be performing the exercises out of a dislike towards it. But ultimately it is a very pleasurable experience in the morning doing exercise in the hills. Trust me, no one wants to wake up for either of these options but with time, you do start enjoying them and once you leave the Academy, you start missing it as well. At the end of it all, it will be these priceless moments which you will cherish the most.

-Apoorva Pandey



FRIENDLY MATCHES WITH SISTER ORGANISATIONS

Sports are one of the major attributes that can build characters, friendships, coordination and spirit of winning among all. There are so many games which had been arranged between the Officer Trainees of CASFOS and Officers Trainees of IG NFA (Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy), Students of FRI (Forest Research Institute), Research scholars of WII (Wildlife Institute of India) and others.

-Santu Das



INTRAMURAL SPORTS MEET -2023

Intramural Sports is very significant for physical, mental, emotional and social development of the Officer Trainees (OT). It develops healthy competition among the participants and helps in improving the personality of the OTs.

The 20th Intramural Sports Meet 2023 was held from 27.03.2023 to 02.04.2023 at CASFOS playground, where the OTs of both the batches of 35th and 36th Induction Course and all Office Bearers were evenly distributed amongst four Houses, namely, Aravalli (Red House), Nilgiri (Blue House), Shiwalik (Green House) & Vindhyanchal (Yellow House). The event was headed by Principal & faculty members of CASFOS, Dehradun.

List of events organized in the Intramural Sports Meet were:-

Team Events: Volleyball, Cricket, Football, Tug of War, Badminton (Singles & Doubles M/W), Table Tennis (Singles & Doubles M/W), Basketball (W), Carrom & Chess.

Athletic Events: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m & 3000m Marathon, Relay Race 4 x 100m, Shot Put, Discus throw, Javelin, High Jump, Long Jump.

There was cut throat and healthy competition between the teams of the all four houses and Shiwalik was Winner with 380 points, Nilgiri was on 2nd position with 375 points and Aravalli was on 3rd position with 335 points. Vindhyanchal was last in the scoreboard with 260 points. But more than being the winner or loser, it was one of the best event happened in these two years of our training.

-Vikash Yadav





MEMORIES OF AIFSM-2023

The All India Forest Sports Meet (AIFSM) is aimed at promoting sports and games activities among the staff and officers of the Forest Departments/Organisations/Institutions of the States, Union Territories and the Central Government, and thereby nurturing good health, team spirit and camaraderie among them.

The AIFSM typically features a wide range of athletic competitions, including track and field events, archery, rifle shooting, and various other games and sports like football, cricket, volleyball, basketball etc. The event is also an opportunity for the forest officials from different states to meet and exchange their ideas and experiences.

The first All India Forest Sports Meet was held at Hyderabad in the year 1993. This year, 26th AIFSM (All India Forest Sports Meet), 2023 was organized by Haryana Forest Department at the Tau Devi Lal Sports Complex, Panchkula, Haryana. It was held from 10th March to 14th March 2023.

This year DFE (Directorate of Forest Education), Dehradun won one gold and one bronze medal from this competition.

- Santu Das



INTRODUCTORY TOUR



“A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.” - Lao Tzu

Introductory tour was full of fun and gaining knowledge with our faculty members. The memories of botanisation with Abhilash Damodaran sir and trekking with Kunal Satyarthi sir and Amlendu Pathak sir during the twenty-five kilometer Deoban trek are still afresh. Most of us for the first time witnessed cloud formation so closely, beauty of hills, dense forest. We had done so many fun activities like *shero-shayri*, *antakshari*, chit-chatting with each others in between. Moila top trekking was also unique experience for us. Living in tents was firsthand experience for most of us in Kanasar, Chakrata. At that time since everybody were quite new to each other, those eight days of the Introductory Tour helped us in creating bonds of friendship. Almost in every night, we enjoyed bonfire with Amlendu sir, where we sang songs, danced and narrated shero-shayri. Overall, the Introductory Tour was memorable for all of us.

-Sangita



WEST INDIA TOUR: EXPOSURE TO ARID LANDSCAPE

Officer Trainees of 35th SFS IC (2021-23) had their first major tour covering 2 states and 10 cities. Our first stop was Mathura, where we visited Elephant Rescue Centre and Bear Rescue Centre and learned about rescue and protection strategies. Then we had the Taj Nature Walk, appreciated the beauty of architectural marvel of Taj Mahal and learned about Taj Trapezium Zone. From UP, we entered Rajasthan, where we explored Keoladeo National Park, a paradise for bird enthusiasts. There we witnessed a variety of migratory birds and resident bird species. Next, we embarked on a thrilling safari in Ranthambore National Park where many of us first time spotted Tigers, learned about efforts of protection measures of wildlife and tourism management. Our next stop was Ajmer, a city known for its rich history and cultural heritage. Here we learned about SMC works and urban forestry. Then we arrived in Jodhpur, known as the “Blue City” for its blue painted houses. Went to Mehrangarh fort and enjoyed a panoramic view of the city. Then we visited CAZRI & AFRI, where we got exposure to the *R&D* works related to Desert Afforestation. We also visited Blackbuck Sanctuary and also learned about Demoiselle Crane at Kheechan. Then arrived at Jaisalmer, the gateway to the Great Indian Bustard, learned about the bird’s habitat, behavior, and the conservation efforts. After that visited Indira Gandhi Canal and learned about canal plantation and sand dunes stabilization. We also witnessed some of the SMC works in Bikaner before departing to Jaipur, the vibrant capital city of Rajasthan. The last leg of the tour was Sariska Tiger Reserve, where we embarked on an early morning safari, explored different zones of the Tiger Reserve, witnessed various animal species and learned about tiger conservation and habitat management practices. Departed from Sariska with lasting memories of an enriching forestry tour, carried with us a deeper connection to the forest and wildlife and brought us close enough to develop bonds for eternity.

-Chandan Chaudhary

EAST INDIA TOUR

During tours, we get to experience things that we could never experience at the Academy; we get to see beautiful places and landscapes that do not exist where you live, we meet people that eventually change our lives, and influence our thinking. We get to do activities that we have never tried before.

East India Tour was one of those experiences, we had after a long time; it was an adventure where we got to see the famous Chilika Lake (in Odisha) to the largest botanical garden (Acharya Jagadish Bose Botanical Garden in Kolkata) to the unique mangroves of Sundarbans. And we were also fortunate enough to witness the diverse culture and beautiful landscape of Northeast India where we saw one horned Rhinoceros, while riding on elephant back in the Kaziranga National Park, in Assam. In the end, the most important part of it was making a beautiful memory with our trainees and faculties that guided us in all these years.

-Elithung B. Odyuo



NORTH INDIA TOUR: MOUNTAIN CALLING

“Forests cannot survive without Tigers, nor can Tigers survive without forests. The tiger saves the forest and the forest saves the tiger. The tiger without a forest gets killed and the forest without a tiger gets destroyed. So let the forest protect the tiger and the tiger protect the forest”(the Mahabharata)

Our first stoppage was Dudhwa, which is one of India's most magnificent forests, a lesser known gem in the Terai. Dudhwa, largely a sal and teak forest is one of the most picturesque jungles of India. This was an outstanding experience and exceeded our expectations even though we did not see a tiger there. Uttarakhand Forestry Research Institute, Haldwani, was our next destination, which is responsible for managing some of the richest forest and biodiversity of India. The spectacular garden located in Lingadhar village, Khurpatal at the Nainital District, the Nainital Moss Garden, a great initiative to mend relationships between man and nature, was next on our bucket list. Binsar Wildlife Sanctuary, a bird watching paradise and forest healing centre, offering stress relieving activities, were also a part of our tour. Far away from the cry from the blaring horns of the cities, is Chopta, a picturesque hamlet, the famous mini Switzerland of India. Jhilmil Jheel Conservation Reserve and Rajaji National Park, a paradise for nature lovers and wildlife enthusiasts, was our last destination for NIT Phase- I.

Visiting Hathini Kund barrage, plywood factories, Kail nursery and roadside avenue plantations enhanced our knowledge during North India Tour Phase-II. Though you will seldom find a National Park in North India, especially in Haryana, but here, a hidden jewel, Kalesar National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary between Jagadri and Chandigarh gave us a respite. Surrounded by breathtaking scenery of towering mountains and placid lakes, Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary is an enchanting destination of picturesque panoramas. Chandigarh Bird Park took us to an enchanting wonderland. The water catchment area at Shimla Water Catchment Wildlife Sanctuary provided for an amazing nature walk. The Parvati Valley view along the Manikaran road was scenic and beautiful, which mesmerized us. We made a brief stop en route to the famed Rohtang pass at a place discredibly known to the foresters' community as the *'forester's folly.'* The name of the forester who crafted the plan is invoked every year to ostensibly teach young probationers like us of the importance of factoring in the finer details in preparing management plans in their future endeavours.

-Apoorva Pandey



SOUTH INDIA TOUR: A SUMMER SPENT SEASIDE

"And into the forest I go, to lose my mind and find my soul" - John Muir

With these words, I will give the readers a glimpse of our last major tour – The South India Tour. In this tour, we travelled through all means of transport - bus, train, airplane and even ferry. Long journeys, sleepy eyes, rainy days and dark nights were the highlights of this tour. It was a sixteen day long tour starting from central India i.e. Jabalpur to Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala, Goa and back to Dehradun. Starting our tour from Kanha Tiger Reserve, which is known for its Hard Ground Barasingha and its beautiful landscape, we learned about habitat management and Boma Technique of animal translocation. Eco-tourism activities and AI-based virtual walls were the highlights of our learnings in Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve. We also saw 300 year old stone pillars all along the Reserve constructed by Gond king earlier. Mashals were burnt on these pillars to provide safe passage for travellers. Ballarshah depot was our next stop, where we learned about depot management practices. On our fifth day, we visited IWST, Bengaluru and interacted with the Director IWST, Coordinator and researchers. They briefed us about the value addition techniques of wood. Our journey continued to Mysore, where we visited Chamarajendra Zoological Garden and learned about zoo management practices. We also visited Koti Sandalwood Museum and Sandalwood Oil Factory and learned about different classes of sandalwood and oil extraction process. We had a three day stay there and all of us went shopping for *Mysore Silk* sarees. We were glad that our salary just got credited in the account at the right time. We bought for ourselves, our families and friends, nobody should be left without Mysore silk. Thereafter, we had to visit Munnar, the longest bus journey in this tour. Thanks to transport officer Chandan and Rajiv Lama who engaged the driver in various stories to keep him from sleeping during long stretches of our journey. Language was not the barrier as both of them understood that the point is to stay awake and not to understand. The real fight was for stoppages for washrooms - where and for how many minutes to stop and then the tiresome task of counting all OTs (ask the DO and tour Leader- Manoj Tiwari). Continuing our journey, we visited Nagarhole Tiger Reserve, Karnataka and enriched our





experience by learning habitat management and creation of livelihood opportunities for tribals living in fringe areas. Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary was our next stop; we were mesmerized by the picturesque view there. Painted storks with their young ones, open billed stork and crocodiles etc. were captured beautifully by our camera persons in the batch. Eravikulam National Park, Munnar was our next stop. We were briefed about endemic flora and fauna along with eco- tourism activities. We also visited the Marayoor Sandalwood Division and learned about depot management and sandalwood reserve management. After that we went to Goa and visited Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary and Salim Ali Bird Sanctuary, where we saw myristica swamp forests, mangrove nursery, mudflats and creeks. Visit to the beach was a must in Goa; so in the evening we all went to one or the other beaches and enjoyed a lot. Our next stop was BNHS – Bombay Natural History Society and Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP). At SGNP, we learned about the concept of *'living with leopards'*. Luckily we also got a chance to meet Jackie Shroff, who visited the park on that they to generate awareness about thalassemia. Next day, we boarded a flight from Mumbai to Delhi and then back to our headquarters at Dehradun. Tours help us grow both physically and mentally. They also help in building friendships and character. In these past two years, we have matured and learnt a lot from these tours and from each other. I will advise others to take time to travel, to be with nature and to be more connected to your roots.

-Anshu Chawla



FIELD EXERCISES AT A GLANCE

A. WORKING PLAN EXERCISE:

This was one of the most awaited field exercises of ten days duration. It will be one of the memorable ones with full of learning and most importantly having great time with our batch mates. We enjoyed thoroughly going for early morning treks, staying in our own tents, latenight bonfire with lots of stories to tell one another, one after the other. The ten day-long exercise seems so short as they say *"Time flies quickly when you are having fun"*.

- *Baggio Cheran Momin*

B. ECOLOGICAL CENSUS TECHNIQUE EXERCISE:

"Ecology and spirituality are fundamentally connected because deep ecological awareness, ultimately, is spiritual awareness."

We had done Ecological Census Exercise in Shivalik Forest Division. We stayed at three places; Shakambari Range, Mohand Range and Badshahi Bag Range. There were Five exercises-pellet dung density estimation, transect walk, Bird Encounter rate, Abundance scoring rate, IVI calculation, which were done by us. Early morning, we did all the exercises. After that, in the evening we sat near bonfire and talked amongst us, listened stories, and other stuff. It was a very unique experience for us. We ate local food and became familiar with forest staff within a short period. We enjoyed the Ecological Census Exercise throughout.

- *Sangita*



ON JOB TRAINING



“Experience is the teacher of all things.”-Julius Caesar

We went to our respective states for on job training on 17th of October, 2022. It was the first field experience for many of us. We learned a lot during OJT. There were all types of learnings: some were visual and some were hands-on. However, on-the-job training has incredible importance in today’s workforce. We enjoyed our on-job training and learned about the field reality. It was altogether a different experience for us. We understood the work culture of the department. Trainees were posted in wild life divisions, territorial divisions and social forestry divisions of their respective states.

-Sangita



"The Untold saga" - By Anshu Chawla



Anshu

Someone who has an individual brave behaviour. Yes, It's okay to be one! An amazing Artist and a beautiful person at heart!!
- By Apoorva



Anurag

A quiet person generally, but a happening person otherwise, lives in his world. Loves Hindi songs and his favorite line is "सब फर्जी है". His easy go attitude is known by his friends.



Apoorva

The prettiest girl of our batch. She loves to dance and loves shopping.



Arijit

A smart boy, loves to play football and is the chocolate boy of the batch.



Ashish

The rebel known for his knack for pointing out the "issues with the batch", has come out as DJ during Timli.



Baggio

The big guy. He is soft spoken and believes in talking less even in presentations. He is the DJ in our after party-party. His friendship with Sushil sir is like Tom and Jerry's. They hate to love each other.



Bakerbha

The shy, smart boy who loved to play football and candy crush.



Biren

Shayar, who keeps everyone entertained by his romantic shayaris during tours, in class or anywhere. If you ask for it, you will get it. One time he even started his presentation with "arz kia hai".



Chandan

The no-nonsense boy. He doesn't like show-off and doesn't sugar-coat his words, he speaks what he thinks. His helping nature and knowledge of various subjects is known to all.



Elithung

The hidden artist, a humble, happy-go lucky guy of our batch. His British accent and gentlemanly attitude is appreciated by all. The friendship of Eli and Baggio is written on the walls of Casfos. Always together.



Koustuv

aka ACD, a forestry graduate from FRI. Known for his qualities of planning a tour without being asked for. He even saved the batch during the Kanasar tour by becoming Shahrukh Khan.



Krishna

A sincere and dedicated person. His knowledge about various fields is commendable. He has helped others in making various reports of the academy.

"The Untold saga"



Mahavir

Known for his "way forward" views. He is known for his ease with numbers, he can make estimates for any forestry work in minutes.



Manish

The coolest person of the batch, will complete his exams way before time. Nobody will forget his birthday in the academy. His Radio collar is known by all and has been a sore for Sugal sir.



Manoj Kumar

Badke bhaiya, the hidden shayar. He is known for his knack in hindi. He is a कुशल वक्ता, his vote of thanks in Machiya zoological park surprised everyone.



Manoj Tiwari

An awesome badminton player. Known to handle all situations with his presence of mind and manner of speaking.



Mohd Saquib

The quiet person, always glowing with no tan on his face even during extreme sunlight. He is the person who stays silent and speaks only when required but always helpful with all reports and documents needed for assignment.



Priyanka

Sincere and calm, known for her love towards poetry. She has a helping and caring attitude.



Rajiv Lama

The dapper of our batch, is helpful and deals with any situation with calmness. His role as Mess Secretary has been extended indefinitely because of his nature only. His love for washing clothes matches with Rajiv bhaiya.



Rajiv R. Singh

A born leader known for his honesty and simplicity. His feedback related to "wifi not working in the hostel" is the best feedback of the season. His debating skill is no less. He, along with badke bhaiya and Manoj ji had shown their talent in Hindi वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता.



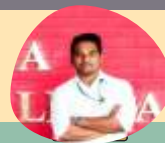
Saloni

The general secretary, who doesn't shy away from trying anything new. She loves to learn and is dedicated towards her work.



Samvedana

The all-rounder of our batch, be it dancing, swimming, academics she has left an imprint on every field.



Santu Das

The sportsman, is passionate towards sports. He loves to play any game, anytime. A simple guy who speaks his mind.



Sangita

A brave girl. She loves to learn new things and keeps on trying until she gets it right.

"The Untold saga"



Savior

Savior aka 'गुलदार' is known for his dedication of learning भोजपुरी from Mahavir.



Sayak

The unacademy guy known for his passion towards wildlife. He loves to speak uninterruptedly for hours and instill knowledge in others.



Sayani

A sincere sweet girl. Her singing skills are loved by all. No official program is complete without a song from her.



Shibstanding

A guy with melodious voice, and a sportman. He has won many medals for his team Shiwalik "SABKA MALIK SHIWALIK". He is also a doctor who helped us a lot in curing our injuries.



Shuvajit

Known and called by all as dada. He is a perfectionist, and loves seafood. Dada is also known for his souvenir collection as do Koustuv and me. We will hunt for souvenirs on every visit and will even risk boarding the bus also.



Sushil

Who is full of energy and known for his talent in acting, his movie Badla (related to academy life), was at the last leg of shooting during the South India tour."



Tejaswini

The butterfly girl. Her passion towards butterflies is known to all. She loves what she does and is dedicated towards her work.



Tsuamki

The all rounder -a dancer, a videographer and a sportsman. "Good things come in small packages" stands true about him.



Vikash Yadav

The perfect manager. His negotiation skills are commendable. He doesn't compromise with his health and loves to motivate others to do the same.



ANSHU CHAWLA

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badminton playing

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Meerut College

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Things you wish you had: home
in the mountains

In Academy, your partner in crime :
Chandan, Arijit, Santu

Your favorite quote: *“I would
rather have a mind opened by
wonder than one closed by belief”*

**If not an ACF, you would have
been:** Teacher

**What do you like the most
about the training:** FRI campus
and the All India Tours

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these
two years that touched you the
most:** Memories of our

Introductory tour at Chakrata
are still fresh, there were some
beautiful treks that we covered.
I personally loved wildflowers,
and I saw lots of them there. It
was an amazing tour. Conifers
of Chakrata, Meadows of Moila
top, DFO's bungalow, every
place has a memory
associated with it, of our batch







ANURAG TIWARI

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Hobby: Playing cricket,
listening songs

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Jaunpur, U.P.

Alma Mater: Harcourt Butler
Technological Institute.

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Things you wish you had:

expertise in forest laws

In Academy, your partner

in crime: Vikash Yadav,

Manoj Kumar, Rajiv

Ranjan Singh, Chandan,

Krishna

Your favorite quote:

*“Simple living high
thinking”*

If not an ACF, you would

have been: An IAS Officer

What do you like the most

about the training: FRI

campus

Your memory about any

particular tour/class/visit/faculty:

Marathon trekking of 26

km during Kanasar tour







APOORVA PANDEY

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Hobby: Singing and dancing, Reading fiction

State/Hometown:

Uttar Pradesh

Alma Mater: PPN Degree College, Kanpur

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Your favorite quote: “*A little lost, a lot found*”

If not an ACF, you would have been: Assistant Municipal Commissioner (my previous profession)

What do you like the most about the training: FRI Campus, there’s a certain nostalgia and romance in the place, and of course my hostel room; it holds a lifetime of memories. The priceless experience that the hostel gave me is the best one

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in these two years that touched you the most: Late night gossips, sharing snacks and last day prep for exams





ARIJIT

BASU

ACF, WEST BENGAL

CONTACT

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Date of Birth: 24/08/1992

Hobby: Playing football,
Reading books

State/Hometown: West Bengal/
Kharagpur

Alma Mater: V.T.U.

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Things you wish you had: Porsche 935,
Ferrari 250 GTO, Range Rover Evoque

In Academy, your partner in crime is:

Sayani, Rajiv, Santu, Chandan

Your favorite quote: *“If you're going to try,
go all the way. Otherwise, don't even start.*

*This could mean losing girlfriends, wives,
relatives and maybe even your mind. It
could mean not eating for three or four days.*

*It could mean freezing on park bench. It
could mean jail. It could mean derision. It
could mean mockeryisolation. Isolation is*

*the gift. All the others are a test of your
endurance, of how much you really want
to do it. And, you'll do it, despite rejection
and the worst odds. And it will be better
than anything else you can imagine. If you're*

*going to try, go all the way. There is no other
feeling like that. You will be alone with the
gods, and the nights will flame with fire.*

*You will ride life straight to perfect laughter.
It's the only good fight there is.”*

— **Charles Bukowski**

If not an ACF, you would have been:

Anything, who knows destiny?

**What do you like the most about the
training:** Dehradun is beautiful.

Enjoyed the hostel life a lot.

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these two
years that touched you the most:** IMA
attachment





ASHISH JAIN

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

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Hobby: Tracking stock markets

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Things you wish you had: Peace

In academy, your partner in crime is:
Saquib

Your favorite quote: *“Keep Walking”*

If not an ACF, you would have been:
Businessman

What do you like the most about the training: It inculcated discipline in my daily routine

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in these two years that touched you the most: Weapon training & horse-riding at IMA





BAGGIO CHERAN MOMIN

ACF, MEGHALAYA

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Date of Birth: 31st

January, 1990

Hobby: Swimming,
reading, listening to
music

State/Hometown:

Meghalaya, Tura

Alma Mater: NEHU, Tura

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Things you wish you had:

Consistency in my physical workout routine so that I can live a healthy lifestyle in days ahead

In Academy, your partner in crime is: All are

good with me as I am with all of them

Your favorite quote: *“Set no Expectations and you won't be Disappointed”*

If not an ACF, you would have been: Inspector of

Excise (by now)

What do you like the most

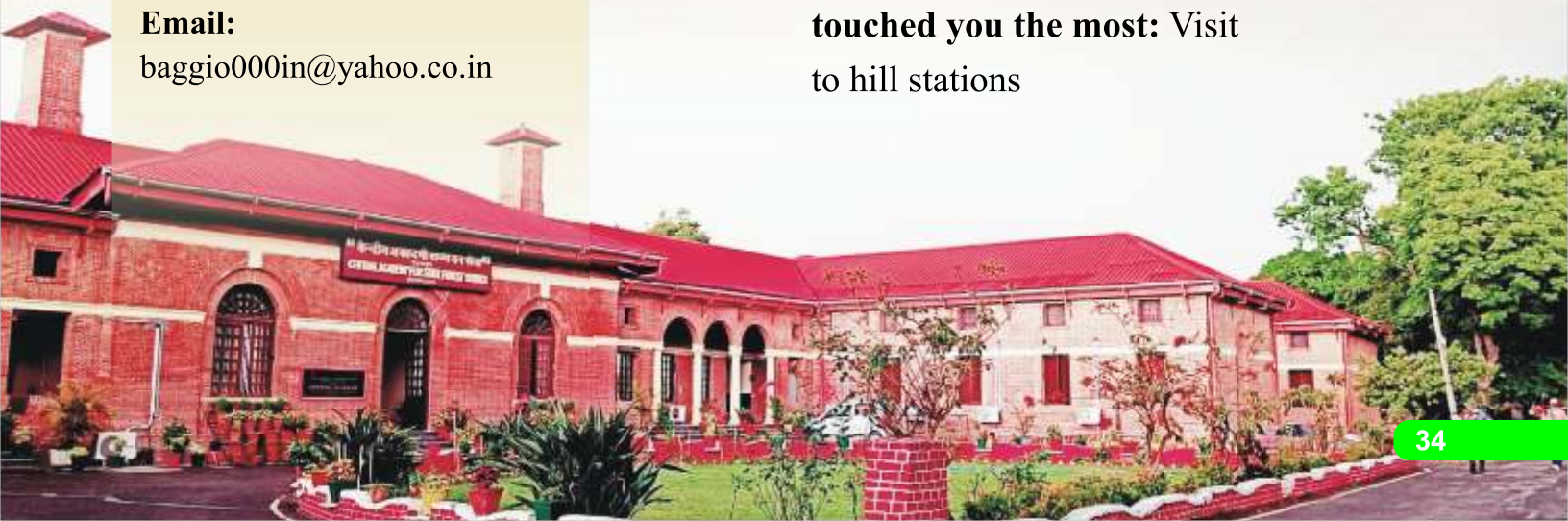
about the training: All India Tours

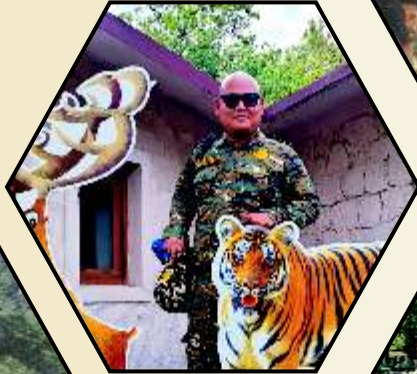
Your memory about any particular

tour/class/visit/faculty in

these two years that

touched you the most: Visit to hill stations







BAKERBHA JAPANG

ACF, MEGHALAYA

CONTACT

Date of Birth: 18th July 1993

Hobby: Playing
football, dota etc.

State/Hometown:

Mawryngkneng
(Meghalaya)

Alma Mater: Mizoram
University

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Things you wish you had:

NJ10 football skills

Your favorite quote:

*"Nothing you have is
because of luck or
chance. It was all God's
grace and favor"*

**If not an ACF, you would
have been:** Banker

**What do you like the
most about the training:**

All India Tours

**Your memory about any
particular**

**tour/class/visit/faculty in
these two years that**

touched you the most:

Sighting of a pride of lion
in Sasan Gir







BIREN KUMAR SHARMA

ACF, WEST BENGAL

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Date of Birth:

02.04.1987

Hobby: Writing poetry

State/Hometown: West Bengal, Kolkata

Alma Mater: Govind Ballabh Pant

Engineering College, Delhi

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Things you wish you had:

Musician

Your favorite quote:

“Hatred does not cease by hatred, but only by love, this is the eternal rule”

If not an ACF, you would

have been: Mechanical

Engineer

What do you like the most

about the training: I liked

the IMA attachment as the

most wonderful part of the

training program

Your memory about any

particular

tour/class/visit/faculty in

these two years that

touched you the most:

West India Case Study and

Working Plan Exercise





CHANDAN CHAUDHARY

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

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Date of Birth: 2ND JUNE 1992

Hobby: Travelling and reading books

State/Hometown:
AZAMGARH, U.P.

Alma Mater: MNNIT,
ALLAHABAD, PRAYAGRAJ

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Things you wish you had:

जो 'प्राप्त' है वही 'पर्याप्त' है

In Academy, your partner

in crime is: Not possible to name but for sure I have some reliable friends

Your favorite quote: *"In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years"*

If not an ACF, you would have been: A PCS Officer (CTO)

What do you like the most about the training: FRI

Campus, Climate of Doon valley and hostel night life

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in these two years that touched you

the most: All India Tours & the mesmerizing serenity of Chakrata, witnessed during the Introductory Tour







ELITHUNG B. ODYUO

ACF, NAGALAND

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Date of Birth: 3rd November

Hobby: Watching documentaries, cooking, and playing football, volleyball etc.

State/Hometown:
Nagaland/ Wokha

Alma Mater:
Y. S. Parmar UHF, Nauni

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Things you wish you had: Wish I was wise enough to know that tomato is a fruit

In Academy, your partner in crime is: None of them had said “No or I can’t” when I needed help

Your favorite quote: *“A society grows great when old men plant trees in whose shade they shall never sit”*

If not an ACF, you would have been: Maybe I’d be into business/ remain as a Soil Conservation Officer

What do you like the most about the training: Seeing new places, learning about our diverse cultures, and making new friends from different parts of the country

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in these two years that touched you the most: All tours







KOUSTUV SASARU

ACF, WEST BENGAL

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Hobby: Quizzing,
Jogging and Reading

State/Hometown:
Kolkata, West Bengal

Alma Mater: Forest
Research Institute,
Dehradun

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Things you wish you had: Wish I could play tennis

Your favorite quote: “*And when the night is cloudy there is still a light that shines on me. Shine until tomorrow. Let it be*”
-Paul McCartney

If not an ACF, you would have been: Scientist at WII

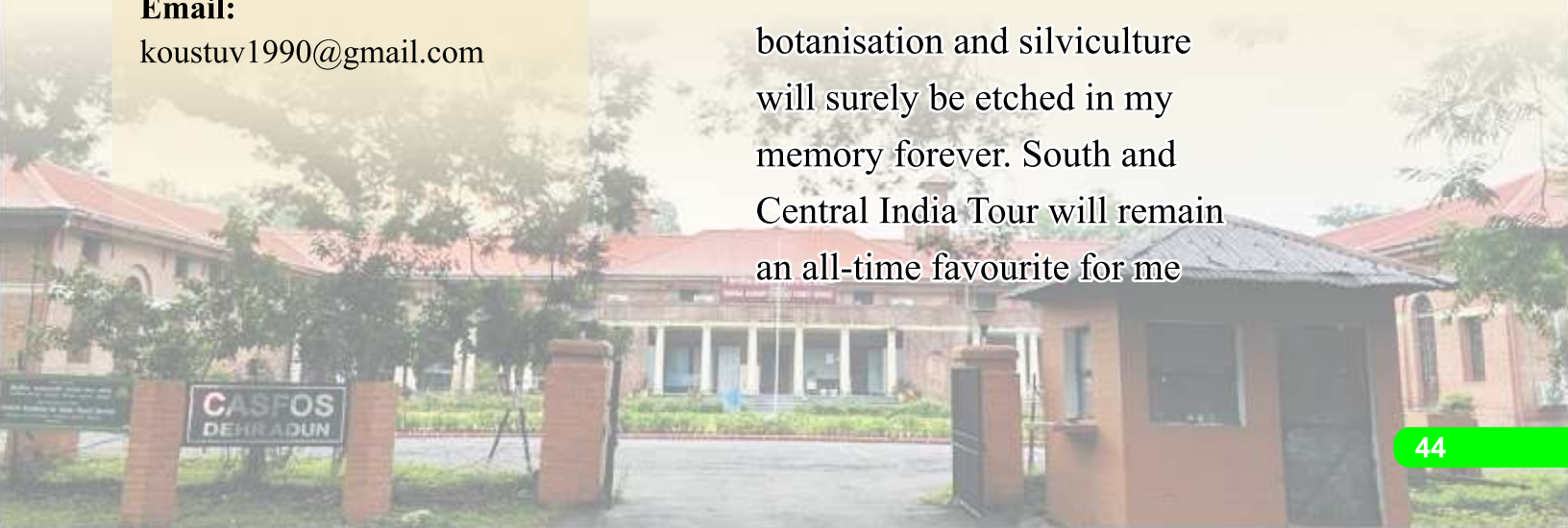
What do you like the most about the training: Cycling and jogging are an integral part of the training at CASFOS. I will definitely miss

jogging/cycling around the sylvan surrounding of FRI campus which is always a reinvigorating experience

Your memory about any particular

tour/class/visit/faculty in these two years that touched you

the most: The sessions of Abhilash Damodaran sir on botanisation and silviculture will surely be etched in my memory forever. South and Central India Tour will remain an all-time favourite for me







KRISHNA CHANDRA SHEKHAR

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

CONTACT

Date of Birth:

26th November, 1984

Hobby: Reading, cooking and photography.

State/Hometown:

Ara, Bihar

Alma Mater:

BUIT, Bhopal

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Things you wish you had: An isolated hut on a mountain cliff. Also, I would love to do masters in Human behaviour & Psychology and Psephology

In Academy, your partner in crime is :
Chandan Chaudhary

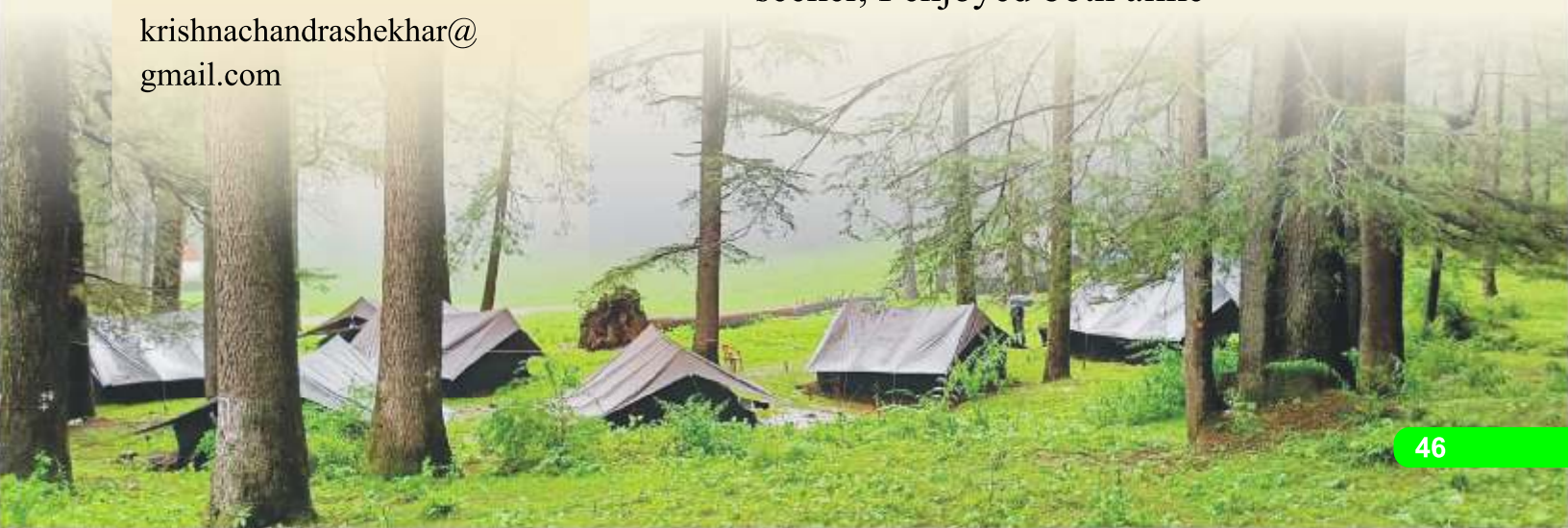
Your favorite quotes:

“Every saint has a past and every sinner has a future”

“It ain’t over til it’s over”

If not an ACF, you would have been:
Psychiatrist or a Lawyer

What do you like the most about the training: I love everything about this training as either it was a joy or new learning opportunities and being a seeker, I enjoyed both alike







MAHAVIR SINGH

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Date of Birth: 01/07/1984

State/Hometown:
Etawah, U.P.

Alma Mater):
University of
Allahabad

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Things you wish you had:

To live a luxurious life

In Academy, your partner in crime :

Savior J. Sangma

Your favorite quote: *“Try continuously,
success will come definitely”*

**If not an ACF, you would have
been:** Food Safety Officer

**What do you like the most about
the training:** Physical training
especially PT

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these
two years that touched you the
most:** Goa Tour





MANISH KUMAR SHARMA

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singing and tour etc.

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Things you wish you had:

Coding skill

Your favorite quote:

purpose of our lives is to be happy

If not an ACF, you would

have been: Engineering
professional

What do you like the most

about the training: Being in
FRI Campus

Your memory about any

particular

tour/class/visit/faculty in

these two years that

touched you the most:

Introductory tour at

Kanasar and trekking







MANOJ KUMAR

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

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Date of Birth: 30/03/1982

Hobby: Playing volleyball

State/Hometown: Sultanpur,
Uttar Pradesh

Alma Mater: Kamla
Nehru Institute of
Physical and Social
Sciences, Sultanpur, UP

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Things you wish you had: To have
a balanced life

In Academy, your partner in crime is:
Rajiv Ranjan Singh, Anurag Tiwari,
Vikash Yadav

Your favorite quote: *“All that glitters
is not gold”*

If not an ACF, you would have been:
I would have been a teacher

**What do you like the most about the
training:** Physical training especially
sports

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these two
years that touched you the most:**
Mylari Dosa in Mysore and Trekking
to Deoban Nursery in Introductory tour







MANOJ TIWARI

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

CONTACT

Date of Birth: 15th Nov, 1988

Hobby: Trekking, playing badminton and reading

State/Hometown:

Lucknow, U.P.

Alma Mater:

Banaras Hindu University,
Varanasi

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Things you wish you had:

I wish to live like the President at Rashtrapati Bhawan

Your favorite quote: *“There is no future, no past. There is only the present”*

If not an ACF, you would have been:

Professor

What do you like the most about the

training: Hostel Life and being with friends

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in these two years that touched you the most:

IMA Attachment for weapon and equitation training







**MOHD
SAQUIB
KHAN**

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

CONTACT

Date of Birth: 11/10/1982

Hobby: Listening, reading
and writing ghazals, shayari

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U.P.

Alma Mater: BTech- Indian
Institute Of Technology,
Roorkee(IIT Roorkee)

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Things you wish you had:

IAS officer

In Academy, your partner in crime is:

aisa koi academy mei mila nahi

Your favorite quote: *"Impossible itself
says I'm Possible"*

If not an ACF, you would have been:

Assistant Municipal Commissioner or
Software Programmer

**What do you like the most about
the training:** FRI campus is beautiful
and soothing for trainees





PRIYANKA SHARMA

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Date of Birth: 28thFeb, 1986

Hobby: Gardening

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Alma Mater: CCS University,
Meerut

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Things you wish you had: MBA

**In Academy, your partner in
crime is:** Sangita

Your favorite quote: *"In the end, it's
not the years in your life that count.
It's the life in your years"*

**If not an ACF, you would have
been:** A business woman

**What do you like the most about
the training:** FRI Building with yellow
light at night, All India Tours

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these two
years that touched you the most:**
Kanasar trekking, Shola forest trekking
at Eravikulam National Park





RAJIV LAMA

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Hobby: Playing football,
jogging, reading books,
trekking, cycling

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West Bengal

Alma Mater:

St Joseph's College, Darjeeling

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Things you wish you had:

I am content with whatever I have
in my life

Your favorite quote:

*“God could not be everywhere, and
therefore he made mothers”*

- Rudyard Kipling

What do you like the most about the training:

Hostel life (Santu and Arijit's Room)
/All India Tours/ Eli's Naga Cuisine







RAJIV RANJAN SINGH

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Date of Birth: 21st August, 1991

Hobby: Meditation, kitchen gardening, watching web-series

State/Hometown: Prayagraj, U.P.

Alma Mater: MS- Cyber law and Information Security Indian

Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

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Things you wish you had:

IAS Officer

Your favorite quote: "अपने मेयार से नीचे

तो मैं आने से रहा ,शेर भूखा हो मगर घास तो

खाने से रहा, कर सको तो मेरी चाहत का

यकीन कर लेना, अब तुम्हें चीर के मैं दिल

तो दिखाने से रहा"

If not an ACF, you would have been:

May be Businessman

What do you like the most about the

training: All India Tours







SALONI

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

CONTACT

Date of Birth: 20/07/1988

Hobby: Reading, cooking,
Journal writing

State/Hometown:
SHAMLI, U.P.

Alma Mater:
Delhi University

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Things you wish you had:

I wish that I could be a good dancer

**In Academy, your partner in
crime is:** Samvedana

Your favorite quote: *“This too shall pass”*

If not an ACF, you would have been:

Scientist in the field of Molecular Biology

**What do you like the most about
the training:** Morning PT

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these
two years that touched you the most:**

The beauty of this campus is mesmerising,
you can have enough options for living
your hobbies as well as having your
own time and realizing the emotions







SAMVEDANA CHAUHAN

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

CONTACT

Date of Birth: 15/03/87

Hobby: Cooking, swimming,
playing badminton

State/Hometown: U.P.

Alma Mater:
DELHI UNIVERSITY

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sam87fragrance@gmail.com

Things you wish you had:

Painting skills

Your favorite quote: *“Follow the
Path of Truth and Keep Going”*

**If not an ACF, you would have
been:** Assistant Professor

**What do you like the most about
the training:** FRI Campus and Hostel Life

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these two
years that touched you the most:**
Visit to Somnath Temple, Gujrat







SANGITA

ACF, UTTAR PRADESH

CONTACT

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Date of Birth: 10th JULY, 1988

Hobby: Cooking,
Dancing, Reading

State/Hometown:
Hathras, U.P.

Alma Mater :
Agra College, Agra

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Things you wish you had: Collection of flowers

In Academy, Your Partner in Crime is: Priyanka Sharma

Your favorite quote: *"to be positive, always honest and be happy in your life because time is passing.*

Improve in yourself every day, become learner and love your family, give priority to family"

If not an ACF, you would have been: SDM

What do you like the most about the training: I like mesmerizing F R I campus, west India tour, introductory tour, I like physical training here. because it gives

shape to my body. In academy I learnt a lot about various subjects. I got a lot experience about people.

How to deal situation and problems.

Training made me more confident, skilled, develop decision making power, overcome stage fright. So, I am thankful all faculty members who contributed my training







SANTU DAS

ACF, WEST BENGAL

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Date of Birth: 02nd JULY, 1994

Hobby: Games, Movies

State/Hometown:

Shimurali, Dist. Nadia , P.S.
Chakdaha, West Bengal.

Alma Mater :

Bidhan Chandra Krishi
Vishwavidyalaya (BCKV)

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Things you wish you had:

I am happy with what I have already

In Academy, your partner in crime

is: Hain kuch log .. par
nahi batayunga , nazar lag
jayega

Your favorite quote: *"Hard work*

*beats talent when talent
doesn't work hard"*

If not an ACF, you would have

been: Asstt. Director Of
Agriculture

What do you like the most

about the training: My sweet
room & tours

Your memory : Mumbai travel
with Arijit & Chandan







SAVIOR J. SANGMA

ACF, MEGHALAYA

CONTACT

Phone: 7005343303

Date of Birth: 19th MAY, 1990

Hobby: Reading, playing
cricket & football

State/Hometown:

Meghalaya Village Dilma
A.Dap North Garo Hills

Alma Mater:

North Eastern Regional Institute
Of Science & Technology (NERIST)

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Things you wish you had:

A good politician

In Academy, your partner in crime

is: I accept differences and all of
them are my reliable friends

Your favorite quote: *“Don't
read success stories, you will
get only message. Read failure
stories, you get some ideas
to get success”*

**If not an ACF, you would have
been:** Entrepreneur

**What do you like the most about
the training:** Tour and Exposure
learning

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these two
years that touched you the most:**

All India Tours, where we got to
experiences different cultures as
well as unique Forest Management
Practices





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Things you wish you had:

Ability to play the violin,
Ability to travel as much as I want,
Ability to buy any camera I like

Your favorite quote:

“It's the possibility of having a dream come true that makes life interesting”

— Paulo Coelho, The Alchemist

If not an ACF, you would have

been: Lecturer of Environment for Competitive Exams / Tiger Biologist

What do you like the most about

the training: FRI Campus – the greenery and the immense biodiversity and beauty within it, Weekend tours to Rajaji TR, All India Tours, Dogs





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Things you wish you had: good
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**In Academy, your partner in crime
is:** Arijit, Santu & Rajiv

Your favorite quote: “*Do it now*”

**If not an ACF, you would
have been:** *Teacher*

**What do you like the most about the
training:** In these two long years, I

have made many good memories
with my batch mates, on whom I
can rely for life. In the tours, we
not only learned about the forest
management practices followed in
different parts of India, but patience
and perseverance, during the long
journeys. The PT & games, which are
the everyday affair of our schedule,
helped me a lot in losing a significant
amount of weight

**Your memory about any particular
tour/class/visit/faculty in these two
years that touched you the most:**

Leisure time spent at Santu & Arijit’s
room with Arijit, Santu and Rajiv







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Things you wish you had: New sony a7iv full frame camera with zoom lens

Your favorite quote: *"The greatest ideas are the simplest"*

-William Golding

If not an ACF, you would have been:- FSO, Government of Meghalaya

What do you like the most about the training: Friends, FRI campus, wildlife photography

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in this two years that touched you the most:

Got dengue fever during West India Tour. Till date I am mosquito-phobic





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Your favorite quote: *"No decision is right or wrong; what matters is the action that follows your choice"*

If not an ACF, you would have been: IT professional

What do you like the most about the training: FRI Campus and All India Tours

Your memory about any particular tour: Spotting the Tiger in the wild for the very first time in my life at Ranthambore Tiger Reserve, Rajasthan







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Things you wish you had:
Acting skill

Your favorite quote: *"simple living and high thinking"*

If not an ACF, you would have been: Assistant Professor

What do you like the most about the training: All India Tours

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in this two years that touched you the most: Introductory tour at Kanasar





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What do you like the most about the training : Butterfly watching and their study (lifecycles and behavior), Bird watching and behavior study (nesting study)

Your memory about any particular tour/class/visit/faculty in this two years that touched you the most:

Lifer species of butterflies that I got to see, nesting study of birds





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In Academy, your partner in crime is: My North-East brothers, whom I can trust, make fun of, tease, and laugh at

Your favorite quote: *“Trust your intuition. It never lies” and “spend more time with people who bring out the best in you, not the stress in you”*

What do you like the most about the training: I’m inclined towards practical rather than theory classes. Practical classes are interesting and I learned a lot. Throughout the training the best part was tours, great exposure with lots of good memories. Not forgetting games period, All India Forest Sports Meet and other outdoor activities which i personally enjoyed.

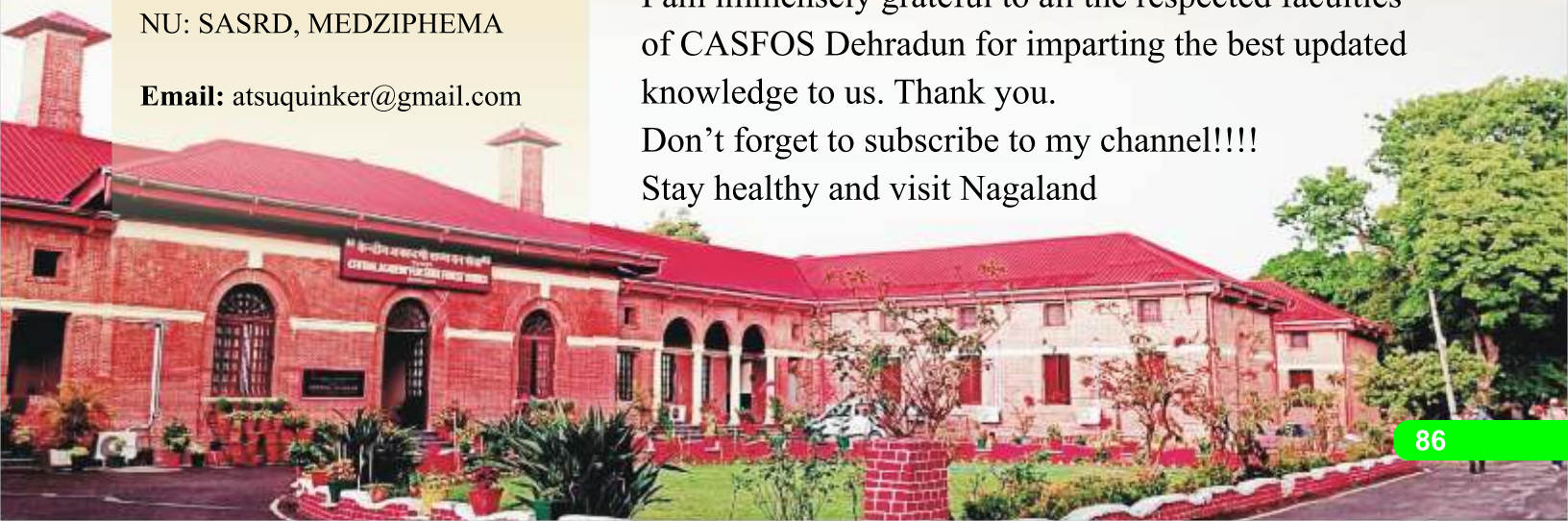
Special thanks to Sir P. Suyal Sports Officer and Sir Anupam PTI for making me fit and healthy.

When it comes to hostel life I can hear Mr Bharat’s voice “Chai Sir”, “Dinner Sir”, even in my sleep. After staying in CASFOS for two years, I became an expert in the cooking bonus of training.

Your memory: Top priority!!! During the tour searching for non-veg restaurants and hot cups of chai.....

I am immensely grateful to all the respected faculties of CASFOS Dehradun for imparting the best updated knowledge to us. Thank you.

Don’t forget to subscribe to my channel!!!!
Stay healthy and visit Nagaland







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Things you wish you had: Power to make training schedule for short duration and more field/practical oriented

In Academy, your partner in crime is: Lucky to have some reliable and good friend

Your favorite quote: *“Life is too short to learn from your own mistakes, learn from other’s mistake”*

If not an ACF, you would have been: I would have been Block Development Officer (BDO: previous post)

What do you like the most about the training: FRI Campus in Dehradun, All India Tours, Physical training especially sports

Your memory: All India Tours & Sports/PT activity





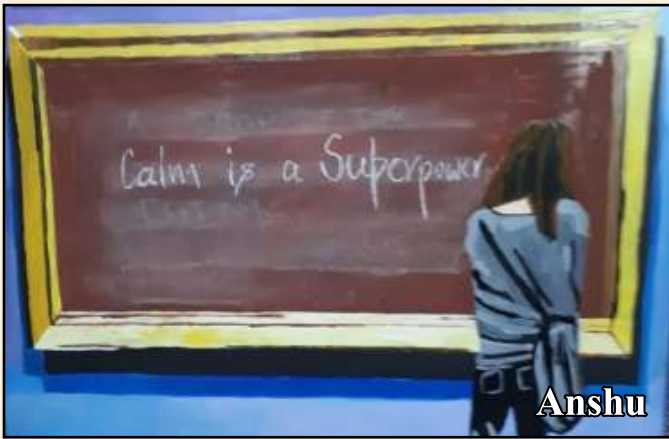
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POETRY

हमारी मोहब्बत की कैद से रिहाई नहीं मिलती,
विस्म तो जुदा होते हैं पर रह को कभी
...तन्हाई नहीं मिलती।

अपने प्यार की पूर्णिमा में हम स्वयं अभावस खाते हैं,
मेरा चांद निकलता रोज है और हम कन्ही छुप जाते हैं
इस हृदय की व्याकुलता जो कभी चांदनी को तरसाती है
हम वे के बहाना बादल का फिर रात न होने देते हैं
अपने प्यार की पूर्णिमा में हम स्वयं अभावस खाते हैं,
मेरा चांद निकलता रोज है और हम कन्ही छुप जाते हैं
यूं कहने को सबसे मुलाकात कभी जो होती है
मेरा चांद निकलता रोज है पर बात कन्हा अब होती है
दुक पल उसे जो देखते हैं बेचौनीयूं बढ़ जाती है
होश कन्हा फिर रहता है जख्मत मचलने लखते हैं
तब अपने प्यार की पूर्णिमा में हम स्वयं अभावस खाते हैं
मेरा चांद निकलता रोज है और हम कन्ही छुप जाते हैं
इस बार अभावस लंबी है वे सोच के दिल घबराता है
जिसे देख भुजारा हो ताथा वो पास कन्हा अब आता है
तब झूठी तसल्ली देके इस दिल को हम समझाते हैं
कि शादन की सुहानी रातों में चांद कन्हा अब आते हैं
अपने प्यार की पूर्णिमा में हम स्वयं अभावस खाते हैं
मेरा चांद निकलता रोज है और हम कन्ही छुप जाते हैं।

—बिरेन देहरादूनी

POETRY

में अपने कमरे में ही कैद रहता हूँ
मुझे इससे रिहाई अच्छी नहीं लगती

न जाने ये समंदर कब खामोश होगा
ये शोर मचती लहरें अच्छी नहीं लगती

ये कश्मकश मुझे अब रास आती है
ये सुलझी हुई जिन्दगी अच्छी नहीं लगती

है खौफ खुदा का जो सह लेता हूँ मैं
वरना तेरी यादें अब अच्छी नहीं लगती

ऐसा नहीं की तेरे सिवा मेरा कोई नहीं
पर अब तेरे सिवा जिन्दगी अच्छी नहीं लगती

- साकिब

ये सोच कर मुझे अफसोस होता है
की मेरी जिन्दगी अब मुझ सी नहीं लगती



सत्य हूँ, सशक्त हूँ, कर्तव्य निष्ठ हूँ मैं।
रुकती नहीं, थमती नहीं, निरंतर प्रवाह हूँ मैं।
संकल्प है एक खोज का, विजय की उद्घोष का,
अब हर कदम गति शील हूँ, खुद मैं एक निश्चय हूँ मैं।

परिपक्व हूँ प्रबल भी हूँ, नभ की घन प्रिया हूँ मैं।
तम है अगर तो चीर दूँ, शक्ति का रूप का हूँ मैं।
अस्पष्ट हो अगर स्थिति, तो तेरा मुकुर भी हूँ मैं।
मंजिल की और बढ़ती हुई धारा प्रवाह हूँ मैं।

-प्रियंका शर्मा

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