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EDUCATION

Mallya Aditi International School, Bangalore, India;

2024 - Present

-ISC Math, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, English, Grade 12.

Vidya Niketan School, Bangalore, India;

2012 - 2024

-ICSE Math, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, English, History, Geography, Computer Applications, French, Grade 10

ACADEMIC HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Silver Medallist, Karnataka ICSE School Association (KISA) Science Talk, Bangalore

Iuly, 2023

- Chosen from Vidya Niketan School through a rigorous selection process; only one student selected per school.
- Shared a 600-word abstract on "Technological Advancements in Sustainable Engergy Sources," in round 2, chosen from a competitive pool of applicants.
- Presented the abstract + presentation to a distinguished panel of judges, along with a comprehensive Q&A round.
- Won the silver medal from 100+ participants.

Gold Medallist, Hongkong International Math Olympiad

May 2025

• Ranked in the top 20 from among 300+ Participants nationwide.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Technical Intern, Nettur Technical Training Foundation (NTTF), Banglaore

September 2025

- Assisted software department head and shop floor supervisor in programming and operating CNC machines.
- Worked in the Innovation Lab, applying 3D printing and wire electrical discharge machining (EDM) to create and test prototype components.
- Executed robotic welding operations (MAG and MIG techniques) to learn how metal components are joint.
- Conducted metrology inspections using precision instruments to verify component dimensions and authored a technical report on learnings.

Design & Process Manufacturing Intern, NASH Industries, Bangalore

May 2025

Observed and contributed to the application and details of projects including:

- Development and testing of a dosing control unit for heavy trucks to reduce Nox emissions.
- Design of a battery management system for electric vehicle applications
- Gained hands-on understanding of metal fabrication, laser cutting, stamping and surface coating processes.
- Attended Gemba Kaizen event to improve material flow in Solid Oxide Fuel Cell module assembly.

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Founder & Chairperson, Science and Technology Club, Vidya Niketan School, Bangalore June 2023-May 2024

- Organized the **first** Science and Technology Club at Vidya Niketan, chosen by the principal of the school.
- Worked on a comprehensive plan for the club, shared ideas with juniors and school staff along with forming a committee of students.
- Led a team of 25 students, aimed at STEM related activities throughout the school.
- Worked on two notable projects: involving a robotic arm and a 3D working model of the human heart.

Captain, U-19 Cricket team, Vidya Niketan School, Bangalore

June 2022-May 2024

- Selected from a competitive pool of 100+ students through practice matches and inter-school tournaments.
- Led the school team through various inter-school tournaments, involving the prestigious KSCA (Karnataka State Cricket Association)
- Qualified for the quarter final round amongst 200+ teams.
- Led weekly practice sessions and set up bowling drills for fast bowlers, coordinating between students and staff.

STEM-RELATED ENDEAVORS AND PROJECTS

Robotic arm prototype, Science and Technology Club, Vidya Niketan School

June 2023-2024

- Worked on different platforms to write the code, alongside a team of 15 students.
- Used Arduino boards and connected sensory panels to them, eventually creating the glove.
- Connected the glove to the computer system and ran the code, in order to read hand movements.
- Used a 3D printer and laser cutter to create the robotic arm, attached sensory panels from the glove, and integrated both to capture and replicate hand movements.

Working model of the Human Heart, Science and Technology club, Vidya Niketan School June 2023-2024

- Researched and mapped the exact dimensions of the human heart to ensure anatomical accuracy.
- 3D printed individual heart components and assembled them into a complete model.
- Designed and programmed a circuit to stimulate the heart's rhythm, integrating it within the assembled model.

Reusable Wetness Detection Sensor

June 2024 - Present

Designed a reusable wetness detection sensor integrating conductive threads within fabric to sense liquid contact.

- Embedded alternating Input / Output and Ground Conductive threads connected to IoT GPIO pins for real-time wetness detection and data transmission.
- Engineered the sensor to be washable, foldable, and reusable, ensuring durability and cost-effectiveness for healthcare and infant care applications.
- Enabled IoT-based wireless monitoring to detect liquids such as water, urine, or coffee and send instant alerts.
- Aimed at improving hygiene monitoring in hospitals, nurseries, and smart home environments. Recognized by local doctors for its innovating, practical design praised as "a breakthrough in affordable smart sensing."

Research Paper: Regulatory Shifts in Alzheimer's Cortex

April - October 2025

Conducted independent research on genetic regulation in Alzheimer's affected brain tissue.

- Explored molecular mechanisms behind neuronal decline using advanced bioinformatics analysis.
- Identified key genes linked to memory and cognition loss, offering new perspectives on early diagnosis
- Published in the Curieux Academic Journal for its originality and contribution to neurodegenerative research.
- Cleared the first round of the Saint Yao High School Science Award and applied for the Gold Crest Awards, awaiting results.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Founder, ST(EMpower) Bangalore

September 2024-Present

- Organised factory visits for 100+ underprivileged students from ITI (Industrial Training Institute)(Govt. school)
- Exposed students to manufacturing units within the automotive and sustainable industries; showed them process of making lithium-ion batteries.
- Focused on gender inclusion; Aimed to inspire young girls to take up STEM as a long-term career option.
- Conducted career-mapping sessions outlining diverse roles in manufacturing (from assembly line to R&D) and emphasized their long-term viability compared to short-term employment in delivery and fast-food sectors.

Project Head, People for Animals Shelter, Bangalore

April-May 2024

- Coordinated and responded to over 20+ kite rescue calls, assisting veterinarians in transportation
- Built an enclosure for 2 injured jackals Included planting saplings, cementing rocks to form a den, and digging a 5-foot depression to create an artificial pond.
- Prepared animal feed for over 60 different animals and 7 different species.
- Conducted public awareness presentations on safety in AHI, Animal-Human Interactions.

SKILSS AND INTERESTS

Languages: English, Hindi, Tamil, French

Interests: Academic: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics

Non-Academic: Cricket, Animal Welfare, Reading, Table Tennis

Skills: Adaptability, Leadership, Research, Conflict Resolution