

1. If you were to open a Shopify store, what would you sell and why (or tell us about your store if you have one!):

In this era of use and throw - tonnes of cloths, FMCG, electronics end up in landfills every year. It's estimated that 10 million tonnes of clothing are sent to landfills every year just in North America.

My store will be called "Be Responsible" with the mission to "Be Responsible". It will be a one stop sustainable apparel shop for people of all ages. I will partner with local merchants who manufacture apparels with eco friendly and vegan materials. The shops policy will include plastic free packaging. In addition to clothes my shop will also be a place for the consumers to explore eco friendly daily use products like bamboo toothbrushes, compostable bowls, reusable bamboo utensils, recycled and reusable shopping bags, etc.

When it comes to reducing wastes, all consumers buying Be Responsible apparel will have two options to help us with our mission. They can either donate their old Be Responsible apparels which will be refurbished and sent directly to the partnered charity organizations in developing nations or trade them to get a 20% cash back as credits on their Be Responsible wallets. The traded apparel will be refurbished and listed as refurbished apparel on the store.

2. Accomplishments:

From my childhood, electronics and computers were the things that intrigued me the most. That's the key reason I decided to pursue engineering as a career. From my high school, I had a dream to pursue my master's degree from a reputed institute in North America. Even during my undergraduate studies, I referred to lectures available on YouTube from many foreign universities. After graduating from my bachelors, I had the opportunity to learn about Big data and the applications of data for enhancing user experience. Eventually this helped me to secure a position in the Data science specialization with my master's in Electrical and Computer engineering at Carleton University.

As the first person in my family to pursue studies abroad, there were so many challenges that I had to face alone. All the struggles, sacrifices, rejections, and hard work finally paid off. I feel proud to have achieved my dream of completing my master's degree.