MANIFESTO

I, Shefali Gambhir (175090024) contesting for the position of General Secretary of Mathematics Association 2018-19 believe in teamwork at the cost of trust. If elected, I have a vision for my department as follows:

Academic Initiatives

- Initiate 'Work the Room'- an interactive session between MSc freshies and PhD scholars to provide an overview of research, their experiences and suggestions
- Reintroduce Obscure-Obvious comprising a team of students from research scholars and bring forth the team head as a council member
- Ensure filling up of academic status feedback form twice the semester(end of July and post midsem) to be able to provide assistance to 1st year MSc students having problems with any specific course
- Improve overall performance of department in CS101
- Arrange a session for MSc freshers on academic structure and courses
- Propose a counselling program (in December) for 1st year MSc students with willing PhD students as their councillors
- Try to ensure that every faculty member sends assignments or any study material over moodle
- Conduct a session for MSc 1st years before they opt for electives to be undertaken in 3rd and 4th semester

General Initiatives

- Extend popular talks to include current topics of stats say Big Data, small area estimation, etc.
- Attempt installation of ACs in RS rooms
- Ensure access of MSc labs to Research scholars
- Make sure that the All Team Meets(ATMs) take place every month
- Organise All Body Meets(ABMs) at least twice during the tenure
- Co-ordinate with the Department Placement Coordinator to conduct regression and analytics sessions periodically for placement oriented students
- Ensure that TechConnect takes place in a more systematic way this time with council members in charge of various responsibilities

Interaction and awareness

- Work for enhancing interaction between Research Scholar Representatives and the rest of their fellow mates
- Ensure proper dispersion of information (academic as well as non-academic) throughout the department
- Try to bring more participation for cultural and sport events

Mentorship
- Co-ordinate with the Department Coordinator to ensure smooth functioning of the mentorship programme
- Provide help to students having compatibility issues with English language; notify the new batch at the time of ISCP mail about the English mode of teaching so that they start working for it along with their mentor as soon as possible
- Conduct regular meetings with the mentors to bring into focus the issues their mentees face and take necessary actions to resolve them

Web and Design
- Co-ordinate with the Web and Design secretary to regularly post the ongoing extra-curricular events, the department's participation and rankings
- Maintain transparency in the account bills, keep posting them over Ganit just after completion of the respective event
- Try to link an individual's Ganit account with Gmail account

Cultural
- Conduct cultural orientation to enhance participation in PG Cult
- Organise Cultural Night to inculcate festive spirit among students
- Make sure farewell takes place as a separate event from the convocation one

Prior position of responsibility
- Class representative, MSc Maths 1st year
- Media and P.R. Coordinator, Abhyuday, IIT Bombay
- Teaching volunteer at Abhyasika, IIT Bombay
- Co-ordinator at Technival 2K16, Kirorimal College,DU