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| Gurarchi Kaur  1991, Law Student (and Astrologer)   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   The support and motivation by my loved ones.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Being able to breathe and live a healthy lifestyle with loved ones by my side.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Trust carefully. Though not all fingers are the same, exceptions are always there thankfully. :-)   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   If at all possible and a Herculean task - the attitude of the people, including myself. The rest would take care of itself.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   I'm not a successful person as of now, but success is not an easy recipe. It doesn't come that easy/overnight. But if one follows the right ingredients, you can 'create' the perfect customized recipe.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Thinking that "I've enough time" as a human life, even though the clock keeps ticking every nanosecond. And, doubting my own capabilities.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Still going through, though now just professionally. 'Personally' has been taken care of, Thanks to Almighty :-)   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   The strong urge to help those in need in whichever way possible. |

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| **Rahul Mehra**  1991, Data Scientist   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Multidisciplinary knowledge and interests that I’ve been involved into.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Overcame the fear of failure and risks.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never trust anyone expect your parents and siblings.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Indians need to work on their common sense.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Follow your brain and heart together. There’s always a trade-off between two and it totally depends on the situation in front of you. Utilize the power of duo and rest will work out accordingly. |

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| **Rohit Sud**  1990, Software Professional   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Never give up. Keep trying till you get it right.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Getting to the semi-finals of a snooker by beating a state ranked player before losing to a national player.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never be complacent. Be humble always. No alternative to hard work. I once got complacent I believe and lost a job as a result. Learnt these things the hard way.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Rich keeps getting richer and poor keeps getting poor. This is one thing that hurts me.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   No shortcut to success. You really need to back your ability and keep trying till you achieve it. But as Victor Hugo once said, "no power on earth can stop an idea whose time has come. |

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| **Geeta Sharma**  1993, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Patience   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Being good in academics.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Don't trust anyone easily.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Traffic rules should be more rigid. Fines should be higher. People should follow them.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Try and you will succeed.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Associated myself with the wrong set of people. |

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| **Sneha Kiran**  1977, Application Consultant   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Hard work and perseverance   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Making that 2 - my kids!   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   That there’s nothing wrong to say a NO.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Corruption   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Work hard/smart and be goal oriented.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Allowed myself to be taken for granted. |

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| **Bhimsen Naranjan Ahuja**  1947, Civil engineer (Retired) / Owner of rental property, Holding degrees in Civil engineering and LLB (Law)   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   My decision to join National Highway Authority.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   I consider my daughter-in-law as my own daughter, I treat her with love and respect.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never try to change the facts, the truths.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Indians should do hard work. If you do hard work, then you can go to the top. Look at Modi, where he has reached, he started winning elections from 2001 and he is PM today.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   There is no replacement of hard work.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   I once tried to change the truth, the fact, and it changed my life. |

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| **Ankur Singh**  1991, Marine Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Honesty.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   I don't have a single big achievement. I have learnt to cherish small achievements with the same joy as the big ones.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Being ethically correct may not be enough in life to get a fair treatment, at times it is also necessary to prove it.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Change in India's roadmap: Education -> prosperity -> population control -> attitude change -> prosperity -> education. It's a cycle   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Question yourself what is success and why do you want it.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Not quitting shipping at the right time.   1. **Even exceptionally successful people are not immune to tough times, for ex. Steve Jobs was thrown out of the company he founded, Bill Gates was deposed in the Microsoft v. US antitrust lawsuit in which the judgement was that Microsoft would be broken into two separate companies. Elon Musk was removed as chairman of the company he founded and barred from holding this position for any company for three years after he posted a tweet that was misleading to the investors. Please share any such experience of yours with us.**   I was on ship, isolated from people I knew for considerable amount of time. Got really low, wanted to resign immediately without thinking or planning ahead. Somehow I knew that I had to honor my contract and resign on fair terms with my company. Each day became extremely tough but eventually everything passed with time and I survived. I resigned after honoring my contract. |

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| **Shubham Jain**  1991, Marine Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   The philosophy that things that you achieve in life stay forever with you. The things that you get, their days are numbered.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Simplicity.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   The more the sweat shed in training, the lesser the bloodshed in war.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Censor board. They shouldn't censor something that actually conveys a message for society.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   You can never be Bill Gates or Jeff Bezos. But you can think like them.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Relationship.   1. **Even exceptionally successful people are not immune to tough times, for ex. Steve Jobs was thrown out of the company he founded, Bill Gates was deposed in the Microsoft v. US antitrust lawsuit in which the judgement was that Microsoft would be broken into two separate companies. Elon Musk was removed as chairman of the company he founded and barred from holding this position for any company for three years after he posted a tweet that was misleading to the investors. Please share any such experience of yours with us.**   While giving exam for my promotion in my field, I failed for six times. All that time I used to think about the huge debt that I had to clear and where my career is going. But I cleared the seventh time. After that I had to search for a job. I spent almost two and half years without earning a single penny. But while rubbing my sole on the road, I got a job and I cleared all my debts.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Farmers and soldiers. They run and protect the entire country and still they are neglected and left to rot but still they work even though no one gives a damn about them. Their perseverance and dedication despite all the ordeal they go through is something that motivates me. |

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| **Prity Singh**  1990, Software Professional   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Having self-confidence and belief in myself.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   The biggest achievement is that I never let my feelings and hormones to take control over me.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never expect, never assume, never ask, and never demand. Just let it be.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   End of reservation system. Let's end this menace of reservation, until and unless it is based on economic criteria or physical disabilities.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   You will always earn success through self-belief and hard work.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Caring too much for someone.   1. **Even exceptionally successful people are not immune to tough times, for ex. Steve Jobs was thrown out of the company he founded, Bill Gates was deposed in the Microsoft v. US antitrust lawsuit in which the judgement was that Microsoft would be broken into two separate companies. Elon Musk was removed as chairman of the company he founded and barred from holding this position for any company for three years after he posted a tweet that was misleading to the investors. Please share any such experience of yours with us.**   I don't have any such kind of experience.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   My biggest motivation is my family. They are my biggest source of inspiration and my strongest supporters as well. |

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| Srishti Jain  1994, Business Analyst   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   The way I am raised to be independent and educated.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   None till now.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Adapt yourself to deal with different circumstances, situations won't change themselves overnight.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Corruption.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   'Success' is subjective. Find your definition of success, not the one given by the society.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Not valuing time.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   When you have your plan clearly laid out. The only thing you have to do is work and ignore unimportant things from background.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Challenges. |

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| **Deepika Thakur**  1994, Programmer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Not fearing failure.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Getting a job in Infosys is the biggest so far.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Hard work along with some smart work leads to success.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Its political system, well qualified leaders should be there.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Hard work along with some smart work leads to success.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   The dream of building a beautiful future for my loved ones and myself. |

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| **Himanshu Panwar**  1994, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Poverty.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Cracked interview in the first time for Tavant Tech.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never trust anybody until and unless you have test that person.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   I want to mention two things here: a) Population control; b) Needs improvement in policing system.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Keep working hard and learning each and everything that comes in your way, in the end, you just have to connect the dots.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   I hurt my father once when I was in 8th class.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   I used to travel 10-12 KMs per day by walking. First I had to go college, then to give home tuitions. So in total, that sums around 10-12 KMs.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Learning, always keep learning to grow as a person. This is what keeps me going. |

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| **Lovanya Chaudhary**  YOB: 1991, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Self-motivation.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Nothing so far.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never trust anyone.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Education system.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Keep working hardly and smartly.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Choosing "Electronics and Communication" branch over "Computer Science".   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Tough times changed me completely and now I stand high and independent. Simply one thing to share don't let the past ruin your present and tomorrow. Life is full of roses provided you must have the happy-go and can-do attitude.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Tough time that I went through made me strong enough that I can bear anything now, however smiling and finding peace in nature is the best remedy, along with conversation with yourself. I love animals, birds and babies, and they give me immense happiness, peace and everything that I need. |

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| **Sarthak Bajaj**  1992, IT Professional   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Continuous hard work and fear of failure.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Big is yet to come. Dream of getting into an IT without any stoppers was the one thing.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Learn, learn and learn. No matter you are good at studies or not. Being successful is nowhere related to your academics. The more dedicated you are at something the more you make value out of it.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Control overpopulation and set a standard for educating every individual.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Don't stop dreaming. Whatever you do, give your 100% to it. Do not keep yourself in a comfort zone.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   I was afraid to take risk. One should always take risk to go one extra step forward in life.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   As I told, I never kept myself in tough times as I fear the risk of taking risk. I prefer taking a smooth way which therefore has not let me in any of such tough times.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   I love expensive shit; therefore, I will have to work for it. Plus, I want to prove my parents that I am capable enough. And, want to build empire greater than what they built. |

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| **Magdalene**  YOB: 1990, Product Management   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   My work experiences and skills.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Training in Germany sponsored by the company.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Be professional, be practical.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   People's mindset.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Believe in yourself.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Trusting.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   It is one of my personal phase.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   If you are bound to live in spite of all failures and unfortunates, then maybe you are born to survive. That will be the motivation to live life as a fighter / survivor. |

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| **Anmol Thukral**  1995, IT Professional   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Desire to become better by achieving new goals.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Successfully hosting the open MIC. It was one of the moments where you work your ass off and somehow manage to pull a show just right. It was not brilliant or anything but it was not bad and that was a success. ("Open MIC" is like the even where people with different talents come and perform. They do comedy, poetry, singing, mimicry, etc.)   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   That nothing will accidentally fall in your lap. You have to work hard and harder for everything and that includes the smallest of the materials.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Starting with maintaining population sex ratio, creating equal opportunities for all.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   I will him or her that dreamers or doers alone don't achieve anything. But both of them together can only help you in achieving success.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Not working hard enough for the things that I actually want to do.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   In my last semester, I had a back-log that affected my joining a job and results as well so I just had to clear an extra exam and just for the sake of not wasting my time had to do an uninteresting and low paying job.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Feeling of becoming better than the main character of every success story I ever read. |

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| **Mayank Singh Bisht**  YOB: 1991, Business Consultant and Cricket coach/player   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Having confidence in myself and aiming towards a specific goal.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Two I must say - after college. Playing for Delhi in the season 2015-16 and by the end of my tenure (two years) in the first company I had accomplished 100% positive client feedback as a business consultant (which is rare).   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   No matter what the people say (including your family) do what you want to do because in the end it's your life and you are answerable to yourself. If it's a gain it’s your gain, if it's a loss then it’s a learning experience.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Would definitely put in awareness to reduce the population of the country. Apart from that it’s important that we provide good infrastructure in smaller cities, towns and villages as it is important that the people don’t have to migrate to major cities for jobs and education.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Try new things, always look to find your own path and please don't get depressed due to challenges and failures.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Biggest mistake was to pursue science after my 10th. Because of peer and parent pressure and going for BTech after that. When I knew my path was BCOM, MBA and Cricket.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   The most challenging task was to complete my BTech through a very bad college and that was something I never wanted to do. Therefore, it became a burden. Personally, a break up that I had in the recent past, but now I am with a very good partner.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   My goals motivate me a lot and a lot of inspiring people around those I see in my daily life. |

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| **Akash Saxena**  1995, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Wish to succeed.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   None till date. (As on Dec 2018)   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Others may be right.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Corruption.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Don't think about outcomes.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   None.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   No time is toughest as no time is easy.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Competition. |

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| **Bhupendra Dixit**  1987, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Feeling of responsibilities. Responsibilities provide the courage to face challenges in life. A person wanders one city to another for fulfilling the needs of family.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Yet to achieve.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Initially during college days, it looks like we can earn money very easily but then we come to know later that there are lots of difficulties to get the suitable job, then we realize our mistake. Earning money is not easy.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Corruption.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Work with continuous learning.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   To assume that getting job is very easy.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   During job search.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Goodness in the world. |

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| Manish Chauhan  YOB: 1987, IT Professional / Consultant   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   This factor basically depends on situation. When I was doing my BTech, my father was farmer. He was earning money, but in a hard way. When I did my BTech, I wanted to go for civil services. But that area requires time and money. Perfect guidance is also required. Later, I dropped out of Mtech and did CDAC with rank 44. My way of thinking changed. I was not satisfied with CDAC. I was not able to apply to a lot of jobs due to my low high school results. Then, I met a guy in my first job, he told me that you are free my side for 3 months, and if I don't get my desired job, you will continue to do your current job. Three months down the line I got a job at Samsung.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   I am continuing at my present job, even when I am not willing to do any job.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   To hide some things from our official circle. Keep secrets secret.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   The thing is from salary perspective, minimum wages standard should be there. There should not be wide gaps in salaries of employees.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Whatever work is given to you, do that but don't stop yourself from your interest area.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   I wasn't calm, did not hide my secrets. biggest mistake was that I chose to do that what I am doing in job. you keen to go home. I don't want to spend much time in office.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Toughest time was when I changed my job, at the time of appraisal, director at my then current company told me that either you resign or we will fire you. I asked them why, they told me that business is not going good. Employees who came early will be asked to leave as well but you came late so you have to go first.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   When I look at other guys, who are working harder than me. Surround yourself with hard working people. |

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| Jayeta Sharma  YOB: 1993, CRM Consultant   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   My mother - My biggest support   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   There is no big as such. Small little good things.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   That everything is temporary.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Push to not see women as objects. Dubai was totally different.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   To never give up. The last time and one more time after that when you will try, you will succeed.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   There is no biggest, I have learnt something from all of my mistakes.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   When I was at bedrest for 2 months. Suffering from health issue. It was horrible.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   When I fail. Seriously when I fail at something, the next is motivation which comes automatically. Else YouTube videos and someone uplifting through his/her words (external motivation)   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   When people don’t understand me. Or do not even try to understand. When people don’t try to understand why I am saying certain things. |

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| Anil Dahiya  1986, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Thanks to all the hardships of life which have helped me in growing and becoming what I am today both personally and professionally.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Able to listen to myself and do what my heart says irrespective of the situation. Feel other peoples pain and realizing it to be more than silly pains of life we have. Not to get moved away by anything be it materialistic or anything. I will say achieving and understanding all this is the biggest achievement for my life so far.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Never expect from someone because that is root cause of all sufferings. Each individual is different in all terms, have different mindset and they act accordingly. Better to keep doing what you love to do and never expect anything in return.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Forming political parties by getting votes by: making people emotional or raising religion topics or boundaries of countries or finding just mistakes in other parties without highlighting own party achievements. I would like youth to come forward and make near ones understand their rights of votes n issue factors surrounding them. High time for people to come above reservation support, we are living in a free country and each individual have equal rights then why still reservation? Look around in other developed countries, do they follow any such thing. I think if some of these issues are worked upon then India will be a much better place and we will have better leaders / professionals and more sensible decisions taking place for betterment of society.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Keep working hard along with smart. Learn from mistakes and live life fully without getting moved from failures at any point of life be it: professionally / love life etc. Nothing here stays forever, it’s never late... tons of opportunities everywhere. Just a trigger in terms of self-confidence as well as never-giving-up attitude is all what is needed.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Falling in love with someone who never understood me.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Toughest and testing time was when I went on-site and lived away from my most loved person on this Earth, each day was not lesser than a year. Each passing day was testing this love relationship which turned distance all of a sudden by shaking it up with new issues each day and daily fights.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Learning and exploring out new things, making near ones happy and making their life easier somehow motivates me the most... it's non-ending process. Each day is a new day, it’s we who tie it with previous day... each day deserves its part from us.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   When my near ones take a path by ignoring me along with my warnings of consequences that happen by taking that path. I get worried because that person on whom I spent time was something worth to me and seeing him or her in pain will only hurt me. |

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| Peeyush Khosla  YOB: 1989, Software Developer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Soccer.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   None so far.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   You have to be happy.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   I don't understand boundaries.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Be happy.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   No mistake that I remember.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   It was a great soccer match against a team. We won that match. Winning is not important but it is the toughest time that I remember.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Happiness.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   Nothing worries me. |

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| Neha Pal  YOB: 1992, GIS Developer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   No specific factor as such.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Getting the 'Rising Star' award in the very first job, in the very first project.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Don't trust.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Bring equality (gender based, income based).   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Work hard.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Falling in love.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   When my boyfriend dumped me without giving any reason. I still don't know why or anything about it.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Not too many things motivate me. I'd say 'work of choice' would be my answer.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   What would happen to my mummy and papa after I am gone? |

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| Diljot Kaur  1988, Human resources professional   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Self-motivation   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Rising up from the ashes. Again self-motivation.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Be hungry for experiments and things will fall into your place.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Religionism / casteism.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   The key to success is putting in another effort before you plan to quit.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Many, but to name one - not speaking my mind and being fearful of consequences.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Not during my professional journey but on personal front - I lost a close friend at a very young age, so was difficult to accept the fact. Recently, lost my grandmother also as she was another mother to me. It is difficult for me to accept that people die and then they will never return.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Travelling, meeting new people, going to new places. Experimenting, exploring the uncaptured areas - professionally as well as personally.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   If something is pending - be at work or at home, doesn’t let me sleep. This is as per the timelines that I set for myself. |

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| Akriti Chauhan  1994, Banker   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   My parents. Their trust and love.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   I think I have yet to achieve many things.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   That no matter what, your abilities, capabilities and self-belief will never leave you. Everyone else will, gradually maybe.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Many things, it is a long list in fact as I am a newspaper person. But answer would be 'dirty politics'.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Try constantly.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   I don't remember any such.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Umm... Well, no such time I can think of. Okay. I had many but the toughest was when I wanted someone to stay, but I lost. I did every effort that I could do but I lost. It was someone, but now it is something.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   That I am a human being. We are the most intelligent among all the social animals. I can build my space in the future.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   The path to peace. I don't want anyone to be a hurdle in my peaceful world.   1. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**   I go with the flow. I am doing good. And of course, in my personal life, I would marry, love my husband and in-laws and have a child. |

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| Anirudh Sharma  1996, Software Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   My attitude... And because of it I have always under-achieved than my potential.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   I still am alive.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Hard work always beats talent.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   Attitude of the people towards their duties and rights.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   It is possible if you think you can.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Not working on the things I feel I should.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Going from one SSB attempt to further innumerable attempts with zero motivation.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   Army.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   My future existence.   1. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**   Anirudh 5 years from now will be physically fit and active. Professionally, he'll be more devoted to his career and his growth will be better than the present career graph. He would have learnt some new languages by then, at least Urdu. He will be more devoted to his family. And I hope the kid inside will still be there. That's a lot to ask from future Anirudh, but the present Anirudh feels he is capable enough. |

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| Duhita Dey (2019)  YOB: 1994, Patent Research Analytics   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Persistence   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   I believe the biggest achievement is yet to be achieved, though I can say that I always kept my principles always on top, a good daughter and student.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   Be a complete person, no one would help in the tough times. Be psychologically, intellectually and emotionally stable.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   The education system and the family upbringing of kids.   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Be like water, stable and clear. If you go too excited or low, the ripples will shake and shatter all your dreams.   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   I love too much that too unconditionally.   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   My childhood bullies (for my looks), and some people who pushed me towards depression.   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   The persistence I learn from the elders (from the grandpa granny generation). And the innocence of little kids that restores my faith in this world.   1. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**   I worry for my family, especially brother.   1. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**   Five-year plan, am not very much sure about five-year plan. There are things to be done. And I don't talk about my plans. Honestly, because when you disclose your dreams, then those dreams don't become true. Otherwise, am a passionate person and make good connections with people, I value my connections very much. I don't like the current generation, I like the grandma group of people, the old generation. |

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| **Asmita Khaneja (aka Akshita Taneja)**  Dated: 2019  YOB: 1995, Data Science Engineer   1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**   Ability to fight back.   1. **What is your single biggest achievement?**   Honesty and self-respect.   1. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**   See the emotions behind the words.   1. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**   To make youth of the country focused on increasing IQ as well as EQ. IQ, so they know how to overcome the challenges and achieve the best in world and EQ, so that they come back to their roots and make their own people benefit. This would definitely require both high IQ and EQ to face the odds!   1. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**   Persistence is key to success. So, never say never!   1. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**   Doubting myself for words of others!   1. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**   Loosing someone close to heart in the hands of death!   1. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**   My loved ones. |

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| Ahana Mandal (2019)  1991, IT Professional  1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**  I don’t know what are my achievements... so I can’t say about the factors... but I can say that my parents, my sister, a few close friends, the various situations in my life — they have all contributed to what I am today.  2. **What is your single biggest achievement?**  I don’t know what my achievements are.  3. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**  Accepting and loving who I am, and I am still learning.  4. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**  Lot of things! :| Where do I start?  5. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**  By “success”, most people mean “good job, car, house, etc. etc.” - basically, being a star kid... I am not a star kid. I haven’t achieved that kind of success... so I have no message for others. I could say that “follow your passion”. Of course, if you do that, eventually, you’ll be satisfied with yourself, and feel successful. But I have seen people who follow the herd, get good jobs etc., make their parents proud, and feel good about themselves too (as in, no regrets). So, I guess, it depends on what definition of “success” holds true for you.  6. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**  I have done a lot of things I wish I hadn’t done. But I can’t call them mistakes. They were choices that defined the path of my life.  7. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**  I don’t know what to say about this one either... I don’t think if I drew a timeline for my life, I could draw lines clearly separating tough times from good times...  8. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**  I don’t know what motivates me... but I can talk about what keeps me going — it is ‘hope’... I guess I am never short of it. Good for me! In career, I keep hoping that somebody I’ll be really great at what I do. So, I haven’t given up. When it comes to life in general — no matter how tough the times are, I always feel that my situation is not so bad (I have seen people with worse luck). Also, I feel that the bad times are what makes my life so interesting. And I know, everything will pass. I know there’ll be good times in future, and I look forward to them. Plus, I love things like leaves, trees, birds, sky, clouds, starts, etc etc. As long as I can see them and appreciate the beauty, I’m good.  9. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**  Not just one thing... lot of things worry me or have worried me in the past... worry about my parents’ health, worry about my sister, worry about losing my love... then, worry about earth - might sound cheesy or cliche, but it’s true... it does disturb me (significantly) when I see utter disrespect for the earth — the nature, fellow species, fellow humans... when I was a kid, I worried about getting caught or something like that... And in each of these case, I have felt it just as strongly.... So how can I possibly give you just one answer?  10. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**  I have never lived my life according to any plan. And 5 years is too long a time for me. Can’t imagine myself making a plan for such a long period! |

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| Yajuvendra Gupta (2019)  1976, IT Professional  1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**  God's and parents' blessings and the help of true friends.  2. **What is your single biggest achievement?**  My family and few true friends.  3. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**  In life every decision should be taken after thinking of all the aspects, and effects of it in the future. No one is in hurry and do not decide when you are angry.  4. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**  1) Corruption free India, 2) Free education and medical, 3) Employment to every one as per their ability, 4) No one should sleep without having food.  5. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**  First, fixing the goal that he/she want to achieve. Word hard. Positive attitude for every situation that comes in life. Have blessings of God and elders.  6. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**  Wrong decisions at different times. Never decided a goal to achieve in life (only professional side). I always did work that I got as per my personal situation and circumstances by keeping my family on priority rather than my career. Most important thing to me is affection of my children.  7. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**  May 2013 to April 2015, two years when I had no job, not earning even a single Rupee. I had tried all options to get a job in education (teaching) or IT sector at each level. And last year when again I had no job during August 2018 to September 2019 (more than a year) and suffering from hyper-tension and depression problems for which I am on treatment to recover till today.  8. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**  Faith in god. My children. And people and their families with kids who have nothing to lose in their life as they are fighting for basic needs for their survival. The food, the clothes, shelter, etc.  9. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**  My family and my children's health and future.  10. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**  I don't believe in any five-years professional plan. I only believe in making present day good in all aspects (professionally and personally), as tomorrow may never come and it depends on today.  But personal point of view, I want to be mentally and physically healthy so that I can fulfil my responsibilities towards my family as my kids are very young. I want to live each and every moment of my life with small, small happiness with my family and children.  As future is very uncertain and we have got this life only for one time. I believe in living life and not passing it away with many tensions and fears. |

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| Divjot Singh (2020)  1988, Senior Data Scientist  1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**  I would say luck and projects (including winning some major competitions) I did in school and college which set me on the current career path. Also, my parents supported me even when they had to face tough times.  2. **What is your single biggest achievement?**  On a personal level helping parents to buy a house and professionally I am also doing well but there is room for improvement.  3. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**  People change, I have changed. 5 years back I had different expectations from life and today I have different. In the next decade, it may change again. We as human beings are always changing and we would have to live with that. Your relationships with your partner, parents, siblings and friends would also change for good or bad. That does not mean we should get depressed or extremely happy. Because it is part of life and you cannot do anything about it. So accept it as part of life.  4. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**  We should invest in people and develop critical thinking in them. This can be done by increasing education standards.  5. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**  Develop a thought process that would guide you towards your goal and invest in practical education.  6. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**  Not starting investments when I started my career. Now a decade later I regret on missing out the compounding returns.  7. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**  Well, about 18 years ago my dad lost his job and had to move outside to the city to work which brought all the responsibilities of the house upon me. It was tough until my graduation as money was tough until I was placed in a company.  8. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**  Technology evolution is the most exciting and motivating thing for me. In the next decade or two, we would have some major breakthroughs in health and space travel.  9. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**  Availability of Jobs in the next decade with AI taking up majority of the jobs which would cause civil unrest. Already we see the gap between rich and poor at historical levels.  10. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**  In the next 5 years, I would like to move into management. On a personal level, I would like to devote more time to reading books and hobbies (for me which is developing IoT devices) and travelling. |

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| Shambhavi Choudhary (2020)  1990, Entrepreneur (Runs a food company)  1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**  Before that, I am a 90s kid and I think I cannot describe my profession as I am into multiple things. Now the answer is 'doing/completing any work within time'.  2. **What is your single biggest achievement?**  I came out of depression with self-help. And am a much satisfied and positive person now.  3. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**  Believe in yourself rather than in anyone else before you. Go with your instincts.  4. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**  Want people to have respect for public places and may God give them some sense on littering.  5. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**  Patience and smart work is the key.  6. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**  Trust yourself first before others. Remember, there is nothing called free lunch in life.  7. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**  Private information. People who know me know this, am not withholding it.  8. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**  Life is what you make it, so take it in your hands, do your best and leave the rest.  9. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**  Common people's lack of united ownership as a community. And, most People are very selfish.  10. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**  Both professionally and personally, my plan is to be content in life. |

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| Prateek Kohli (2020)  1996, Founder and CEO (Gratitude Systems)  1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**  Devotion towards Krishna.  2. **What is your single biggest achievement?**  Millionaire at 23. [net worth: INR 10 Lakhs]  3. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**  Be your own astrologer.  4. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**  You will be able to see in the future.  5. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**  Quoting a Doha by Kabira that signifies the importance and fruit of hard work. It means that (Practice makes people perfect; with time and perseverance even water can leave marks on stone). करत -करत अभ्यास के जड़मति होत सुजान। रसरी आवत-जात ते, सिल पर परत निसान।  6. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**  Mistakes made me who I am today. So, they aren’t mistakes anymore.  7. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**  I want to keep it personal.  8. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**  Man in the mirror.  9. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**  Faith doesn’t allow me to worry.  10. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**  I want to keep it personal. Sorry about question 7 and this one, I have given my answers. |

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| Salil Bansal (2020)  1992, Technology Analyst  1. **What is the one factor that contributed most in what you have achieved in life?**  Satisfaction.  2. **What is your single biggest achievement?**  My home.  3. **What is the one lesson that you learnt the hard way?**  Be happy with what you have.  4. **What is the one thing that you would like to change about India to make it a better country?**  People should work for themselves and not be over-dependent on government agencies.  5. **What would be your message to anyone aspiring success?**  Stay Calm and Keep Trying.  6. **What is the biggest mistake that you have ever made?**  Maybe answering these questions.  7. **Please tell us about the toughest times you have ever had, the most testing times that you have been through.**  NA  8. **What is the one thing that motivates you the most?**  NA  9. **What is the one thing that worries you the most?**  NA  10. **Please tell us about your five-year plan, personally and professionally.**  I believe is taking one step at a time... Let's see what happens in next 5 years. About questions 7, 8 and 9, only this much information I can give. |