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B.S.

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Examination	University	Institute	Year CPI / %
Graduation	IIT Bombay	IIT Bombay	2025

Pursuing a Minor degree under the Computer Science and Engineering Department, IIT Bombay

### Scholastic Achievements

- Secured a percentile of 99.3 (1.2M+ students) in JEE Mains and of 98.65 (0.16M+ students) in JEE Advanced [2021]
- Secured 99.875 percentile (0.6M+ students) in the Maharashtra Health and Technical Common Entrance Test [2021]
- Placed **9th** across the State of Maharashtra from a total of **0.3+** million candidates in the pre Upper Primary **Scholarship** Examination in 4th grade, **felicitated** by the then Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra [2013]

# Professional Experience

PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PwC) India Pvt Ltd | ESG | Summer Intern

[May 2023 - July 2023]

- Analyzed ESG performance of 25+ companies via cross-checking with 30+ qualitative and quantitative parameters
- Curated a pitch deck for a prospective client by analyzing sector-wise trends and thorough peer benchmarking
- Assisted in preparing a comprehensive Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report (BRSR) for a NBFC client
- Correlated the financial performance of 20+ large cap companies with their undertaking of sustainability measures

# Positions of Responsibility

Institute Analytics Club Convener | Undergraduate Academic Council (UGAC) [Sept 2022 - April 2023] Selected among 4 out of 150+ candidates to represent interests of 10K+ students in Analytics, Data science, AI/ML

- Ideated and executed the first ever Pan IIT hackathon with 2000+ registrations, 2+ lakh sponsorship by Cisco
- Organized Winter in Data Science (WiDS) to provide mentored projects to 1000+ applicants (50% YoY increase)
- Conducted first ever sponsored Blockchain Mania hackathon and training sessions in collaboration with CionDigital

**Department Academic Mentor** | Student Mentorship Program, IIT Bombay [May 2023 - Present] Part of a 13-member team handpicked through a meticulous interview process, peer reviews and interpersonal skills

- Mentoring 6 undergraduate students in their academic, personal and extra-curricular pursuits in the institute
- Actively writing **course reviews**, taking course **review sessions** to aid grasping and exam preparation of juniors **Department Research Co-ordinator** | *Undergraduate Academic Council (UGAC)* [May 2023 Present]

Responsible for bolstering research culture in Economics Department involving 13+ professors and 150+ students

- Executed the Summer Undergraduate Research Program (SURP) for students undertaking interdiscliplinary projects
- Established department specific research community groups to enhance research culture amongst all batches

#### **Key Projects**

Is Algorithmic Trading the Future of Trading? | Finsearch research project, Finance Club IIT Bombay Secured 1st place out of 300+ teams, received 20k from OneCard for exceptional performance [July 2022 - Aug 2022]

- Generated 20-25% year-on-year return by simulating Paired Switching and Momentum Trading portfolios
- Clubbed CNN-LSTM model with momentum trading to simulate the evolution of a portfolio for DOW30 stocks
- Developed a sophisticated RL Agent that can learn adaptive trading strategies through interactions with the market

Fiscal Imbalances and Debt Burden: The Indian Experience | Course Project | HS 212 [Jan 2023 - Mar 2022]

- Reviewed 15+ research papers to build a 25 page report analyzing government deficit spending for 70+ years
- Examined effective methods of financing the deficit and modelled the sustainable level of public debt in India

Bond Market and Money Market Dynamics | Course Project | HS 216

[Jan 2023 - Mar 2022]

- Modelled term structure of interest rate for 30+ coupon bonds using Excel by extracting data from RBI website
- Examined the relationship between Money supply (M3) growth and GDP growth for 20+ years of Indian data

#### Extracurricular Activities

Consulting	• Ranked top 5 out of 250+ nationwide team registrations for the Aavhan case study competanalyzed market sentiments post Russian-Ukraine war, and impact on sporting industry	etition, [2022]
Technical	<ul> <li>Coding: C, C++, HTML, Javascript, CSS, Python   Misc: MS Excel, Word, Powerpoint</li> <li>Attended 'Introduction to Investment Banking Pathway' workshop conducted by FMI</li> <li>Completed 3 levels of NXT Robotics summer workshop courses by Robominds India</li> </ul>	[2021] [2017]
Sports	<ul> <li>Completed a year-long training in Weightlifting under National Sports Organization</li> <li>Won 'Best fighter award' at the district Karate competition, promoted to yellow belt</li> </ul>	[2022] [2012]
Cultural	<ul> <li>Won first place and the best actor award in school annual group dramatics competition</li> <li>Represented school in International German Film Festival in group dance category</li> </ul>	[2018] [2019]