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# WHY

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*Dedicated to amma, appa , sister, books*

*Celebrating Appa's entry into 58th year cycle. 22 Dec, 2018*

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# PREFACE

The book contains handpicked stories from my online diary available at

**[gaganyatri.com](http://gaganyatri.com)**

The writing style is borrowed from a lot of books that have influenced my life.

Idea or spark to publish the book is to celebrate the 58th year cycle of my greatest critic, someone who sometimes carries out multiple roles to bring out the best in his children.

My first foray into making a book is preceded by the need to try out something new for the year. One step closer to accomplishing my childhood dream of a space explorer.

What started with an intent to re-organise an online diary led to creation of the book.

# SET 1

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  - Gaganyaan
  - Who Are You ?
  - Where is the Money ?
- Adventure in Wonderland
- No Strings Attached
- Memories

# WHY BOOKS

The concept behind WHY is inspired by a lot of sources. The prose/conversation style is a mixture of content from TimUrban's (waitbutwhy.com), mental models from Farnam Street (fs.blog) .

As for the storytelling (I think I weave some story? Is it any good ?) the way I try to connect the dots. The book list is humongous. My fortune is currently at 299 books .

In a way, books are way more precious than Diamonds.

## *How i Do Why*

Having started reading from a very young age, Books eventually became my best friends. I interact regularly with the likes of Tolkien, Rowling, Baldacci, Archer (Oh Yeah, we're on first name

terms).

Weekdays, Weekends, have flown away while reading books of fantasy, suspense thrillers, autobiographies, selfhelp, comics (Especially Tintin) .

## *Disadvantaged Reader*

If you do not read regularly, then you are as good as the person who cannot read.

What attracted me to books is that you can delve into the minds of the authors(aka the Magicians of Words, the Master Weavers of Words ). How they visualize their thoughts.

It is a wonderful and beautiful place to get lost (The Bibliophile in you, would certainly agree ) .

## *Salute to Gutenberg*

If you are 15, 25, 60 or whatever your age & do not read books, You are missing the greatest adventure of your life. One adventure in one Book will make you poor by 200-300 Rs, But will make you rich by a million . Read my travel blogs, they will give you a glimpse of what words can do . They are better than our DSLR Photo (Some Photoshop creator is snickering at this statement ) .

Reading Books actively improves your imagination. I can lie effortlessly.

(White Lies Only. OOPS, The cats out of the bag), because i have been through so many conversations in my mind, i pretty well know what to answer.

*The strength of a Man's character is measured by the book he reads*

Education is the greatest leveler , If you want to see yourself accomplish your goals only a sound and practical Education can take you there.

My reading genes are inherited from my mother, who is a bigger book monster than me (She got it from her father). The bonding/instant connection you get discussing about your prized possession(Read as favorite books) is scintillating.about your prized possession(Read as favorite books) is scintillating.

### *To Parents*

Please buy books for your Children, If they are young, read it out to them at night. Trust me, they will remember you(everyday) for giving them superpowers.

### *Girl Education ? India*

India missed the trick to be the world's superpower, It would not have got invaded by any force.

Because it denies education to girls, it's depriving 50% of the population , to think for themselves, for dreaming big . Well things have changed now, Girls education is being given its due respect and importance (Most of my friends who are studying .ie Masters,PhDs are girls).

Two of them actually made me(literally egged me) to pursue higher studies. Their education should be on par with Boy's education, one sole reason.

**We Should not be Prisoners of Birth .**

*Does writing Pay. Is there money to pay the bills ?*

All the posts I write are to fill my inner demons (They aren't that bad).

If you would like me to write more frequently, you can help me by donating to VidyaPoshak.

Its an NGO in Dharwad, Karnataka which provides Scholarships to meritorious students from the communities/people who were denied basic education .

*If you are good at something, Don't Do it For Free*

Send me a screenshot of your donation. You also get a 50% refund as part of 80C tax savings. Plus the kids whose education you supported, their entire family's blessing will be for you(Free). The more people donate, the more I'll be inspired to write. I will also send advanced copies of my new books for your feedback.

## DEATH TO THE RAPISTS

Can you stand your ground and win in any of the following scenarios

1. Fist fight with a mother of three : Mary Kom
2. Wrestling match with any of the 3 siblings : Phogat Sisters
3. Come with better human empowerment schemes than a teacher : Sudha Murthy
4. Beat the record for the longest time spent in Space : Sunita Williams
5. Our daily bread maker : Our mothers and countless sisters.

I'm prejudiced with examples i took above.

They are the shining lights in our time . Aren't they ?

But if you carefully read the last point. It covers the entire woman population, more than 48% of the world .

*Can you think clearly*

Now sit down in one place, what do you see (these days very few read , because there is nothing worth reading about because good editorials dont sell papers). Every few days some monster has done another misdeed and cause misery and disgust to an entire nation.

(The entire nation has to bow its head in nation, its responsible for each and every person)

*President's Highest Merit Winner*

A girl was humiliated (Not the first and i wish would be the last). I swear i will not use the 4ltter word ever again.

It was done by a set of parents . (Am i mad/blind to make these blatant accusations).

*Dont you dare correct me now.*

Was it not by a set of worthless boys who should be shot at sight .  
No no.

*They should not get an easy death.*

The world has developed so many world class techniques.  
Everything should be tried on them

1. Waterboarding
2. Splitting nails with rusted nails
3. The classic cut from the middle east
4. The electric chair (No this would be too easy)
5. A slow acting poison

*Now whom would you give punishment , if something similar happens.*

Every child starts with a clean slate, they will only grow in the image of the people they are brought up by.

According to me, i would first make an example of the parents, who though gave birth to a baby, but are completely responsible for the baby to develop into the monster.

*Vagaries of Fate*

There is large chunk of the population who are denied the love/ upbringing due to multiple reasons. All the vagaries of fate.

But the one's who are responsible for the most horrific/gruesome/ vicious attacks on another fellow human, were brought up by someone of their own blood. Stats are not 100%, but they form the majority.

*A gentleman will treat another woman with respect, only when he is brought up by a queen he worships*

The question i would like for u to answer to urself is



1. Will you still blame the govt  
(current and previous ones) for these Monsters
2. Will you still blame the police for not doing their job.
3. Will you still blame the other gender for wearing different clothes and travelling at night

*Or will you*

1. Slap these monsters when you see them doing wrong things at a young age.
2. Teach your kids, how to be polite and respect others.
3. Teach children that movies are just fiction and they should not follow the ruffians that they see on the screen
4. Will you be a role model to your own child and follow decency and obey laws

*Or will you*

1. Ignore your own child, by not giving good education at home
2. Ignore your progeny, by washing your hands off sending them to a prestigious and expensive school and expect the teachers to teach everything in class
3. Ignore an extension of your life/your own dreams by giving money immediately when they ask without asking why by giving them mobile phones, bikes, cars and credit card without teaching them what it should be used for

I will stop gloating now. I am sure we were all brought up by

wonderful parents, all of us have great and amazing stories about the sacrifices our parents made for us.

*But then why ?*

- Is a girl child not allowed to travel at night.
- Is a girl child not allowed to wear the clothes she wants.
- Is a girl child not allowed to pursue her dreams, which most parents squash by getting them married.

Is it because they were born as girls

*Where is the issue ?*

- The girls ?
- The boys ?
- The teachers ?
- The police ?
- The doctor ?
- Current Trending favorite : The government ?

*The problem is with parents !!!*

I beg all the parents and all the parents to be . Please give a little time for the growth of your child.

Do not let it become a monster and a scourge of the society.

### *Your duty*

- Your duty does not vanish by giving birth to another life on earth,
- It does not vanish when you send it to an expensive and prestigious school.

The child will always follow and imitate what it sees at home everyday.

Whom should we hang now for the humiliation that is faced by so many of our sisters, mothers, relatives

### *Who can stop the death of society ?*

Please think again for heavens sake

Can you ?

### *P S:*

I sometimes wonder, Should i bring a child of my own into this world.

Will it become a monsters learning from the other Monsters.

It seriously, makes me think, Will i ever give my child the life it should get.

# WHY MODI

Elections are due next year, the Game of Thrones start yet again. The blog post is set of continuous posts on why i would prefer to see Modi again for the next term .

Few of the reasons are below, each will be covered separately in a blog post, send me a mail if you concur, otherwise don't bother to repudiate. I am going to concentrate only on the good stuff .

*As the saying goes 'The world is not miserable not because of Bad people, but because the Good ones do not speak up'*

## *Reasons Why*

- Champion Orator
- (Demon)etisation
- (Start)Up Mania

- Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan Part 1
- Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan Part 2
- Gaganyaan
- Who Are You ?
- Where is the Money ?

# CHAMPION ORATOR

History's famous and recognised leaders have all been amazing orator who through their speech commanded respect and uplifted others through their vision and the strength in their voice. 'Day of Infamy' by Eisenhower after the Pearl Harbor attack, Swami Vivekananda's Speech at Chicago in 1893, Martin Luther King's 'I have a dream' that brought a revolution in America, W. Churchill held the masses on tip of his speech and was instrumental for huge progress in people hopes and fortunes.

I'm particularly happy that during my time, we have got one gem of an orator in Modi. Being a keen follower of history. In recent times, there has been no leader whose Oratory skills ranks No. 1 in World Politics.

Now how is Oratory skills relevant to run a Country ?

India is represented and identified on the Global Platform by the Prime Minister, We need someone who is vocal on the grassroot issues and can champion basic issues. The people had to be reminded by starting 'Swatch Bharat Abhiyan' that we are entirely responsible for our cleanliness , during every 'Mann Ki Baat' cleanliness topic is always brought up . If the Cleanliness Cess that keeps on running till we reach our cleanliness goal does not wake up people not to dirty our surroundings, then i just wonder what will ? It certainly alerts me whenever i would tried to throw a wrapper on the road, for god sakes, i am paying someone just to

pick that wrapper and throw it to the bin.

## *Mann Ki Baat*

Not many have the privilege to read papers , listen to news everyday to find out ' What is it that the government does ?' Mann ki Baat is a masterstroke to connect to the people, Sometimes it makes you think, okay there is PM who is making time out of other schedule to just update the citizens what is going on this country. C'mon dont we have news anchors to update the news ? When such programmes are given by the most powerful person in the nation, the entire country sits up and takes notice. It gives them an idea on what is going good and what can be improved . Maybe few years down the line , Modi will be remembered for 'Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan'.

As Someone great said 'Only Clean and Pure Mind/Body can achieve the impossible'

# (DEMON)ETISATION

## *Unyielding and Difficult Decisions*

So much discussion and turmoil is associated with the word (Demon)Demonetisation ? . The word still causes tremors in the minds of every citizen. The initiative was one that affected each and every citizen no one was spared of its wrath and the havoc it caused due to being abrupt.

Rumours are still flying around that there will be a second coming of (Demon)etisation monster , but the victims will be the criss pink notes. Hopefully they are prepared better this time after having learnt the hard way by burning every finger .

## *Nov 8 2016 D-Day*

Now why am i talking about Demonetisation. was not the scheme a big dud which failed its objectives, read further the next paragraph spins the tale that unfolded .

The days following the ban on 500/1000 currency notes on 8 Nov did a big hit on the common citizen, many had to leave their work to stand for hours in front of Banks/ATM to get money, severely affected were the daily wage workers who had to forgo their work(in turn their food) to collect money.

My situation was not so bad as i was transacting online for many items ( Part of 1% who pays each and every damn tax out there ), i did make two rounds to the bank to exchange savings. ZZZZ .

## *Fast forward to today*

My wallet is disappeared albeit the cash/notes has disappeared from wallet. Almost all transactions are done through Paytm/ UPI ,just look at the number of fintech players who are doling online wallets (Definitely two or more will spawn into unicorns ), being in a metropolitan city does have its advantages as almost everyone has jumped the SmartPhone bandwagon .

## *What is Happening, Now ?*

Did Demonetisation cause this? was this one of the goals. Ahem,Ahem Where is the black money ? I do agree that the goals were noble, but the approach and execution was shaky as the magnitude of the operation was humongous, The entire nation stopped for a week as if in preparation for a war. This was a war, which will make sense if see the outcomes it created .

Gone are the days of long queues in banks/ATM, India's finance infrastructure has leapfrogged all the developed countries in one fell swoop.

## *India now has the best financial infrastructure in the entire world*

The infrastructure built on the Aadhar/UPI platform is mindblowing, carrying out otherworldly number of transactions everyday. Money gets transferred instantly validating the troubles and tribulations faced by the people building the infrastructure, special mention to JIO, without which the pace of online acceptance would not have reached .

Only an electric shock can revive a stopped heart, this is the exact case that happened to Indian finance, a big wakeup call. Naysayers might point out to the associated frauds, well 'Rome was not built in a day, but we need to make sure that it doesn't fall in one day'. Hopefully the system stabilizes and improves with amazing new features as the days go by.

Bank A/C can now be opened in a jiffy on mobile phone, money to a vendor is instantaneous, remember the days when you had to return empty handed because you had 500 rs for a 5 Rs. curry leave or grudgingly taking the 2rs Eclairs because the shopkeeper did not have change. The future looks promising in fintech. "Cough..Cough"... was Demonetisation a failure?

## (START)UP MANIA

*Beta, Tujse Na Ho Payega*

"Beta tujse na ho payega", How many times have we heard this in our lifetime and same with our parents. (No offense to the Beti). For quite some time our hands were tied, there was much negativity prevailing, the lower & middle class did not know how to dream big. (Who stopped you?)

It was believed that 'You should be born in riches, fate is already determined by birth'. You had to pay commission to open a business, the number of rules/regulations to open a company is gigantic (I have a first hand experience, it took a week to just find out where all I should apply and I'm pretty sure I've missed something).

*Study hard, get a job in a MNC, life will be set*

It was preordained that 'Study hard, get a job in a MNC, life will be set', Nobody told me what happens after joining the MNC.

Why am I talking about startup's, I am also part of the sheep tribe,

who studied hard and joined an MNC, now i will provide a sneak peek of what unfurled .

Where did these MNC's come from, the famous enterprises that many aspire(sheep ?) Google, Amazon ,, sometime back Bell Labs, Intel .. these were the pioneers in the field of technology, breaking through barriers with their inventions.

Can you see the recurring theme in all the companies, they are all American Companies built on the 'The American Dream'.

### *70 Years !!!*

India got independence 70+ years ago, which are the Indian companies come to ur mind for inspiration ( No disrespect to Tata's, Birla's ), we did have TCS,WIPRO that were built by men(again nothing against beti) who dreamed big, it took them a long time to reach where they are now, no doubt they put out their heart's, mind and body to accomplish their dreams .

In comparison the Bansal's, Agarwal's of today made Billions in a short period of time, Hold on, before you pull out daggers for my "Apples to Oranges" comparison. Thanks to the work ethic put out by the established companies, the unicorn companies had a good foundation. Then why did they not replicate the model of Infosys/ TCS/Wipro/ ? Can you think about it for a while, read further why .

### *Fake it , till you make it*

The reason is pretty plain and simple, they wanted to be the frontrunners, developing cutting edge technology relevant to our time, whom else to replicate other than Google/Amazon/Uber . ("Fake it , till you make it"). Am i diverging or am i on track,

patience , it will all make sense . Hopefully :P

For many of us students in Non-Metro Engineering college's, the concept of working and studying at the same time was an alien concept, nobody spoke about , guess why ? Nobody had a clue how . It was not because we were lazy and willing to pass the opportunity to work and miss buying cool stuff to show off, Spoiler Alert!! there was no opportunity to learn and earn. The ones who were lucky enough to have a family business , built up their business acumen. Whereas the other (read sheep) believed "Study hard, get a Job in MNC", was all we thought. Spare me your forks and tooth picks, this happened to me, im not talking about 1970's stuff.

### *What happened is the "The Great Indian Brain Drain"*

The likes of Google,Amazon are powered by our very own "Hard Working" Indians who are helping to build the "American Dream" , Shouldn't these people be called traitors? Did they not have love/ loyalty on our country ? Were there no Indian companies good enough for them ? Why did they go to US or other countries to fulfill their dreams ? Well they were sold on the "American Dream" . Hold on, Hold on, Isn't there supposed to be an "Indian Dream " , did some monster/ghost make it a nightmare ?

Well let me repeat the same old stuff again, most of the people were sick of the bureaucracy, redtape, reservation (60 years has passed since it was required ), that is still prevalent. Sorry, did i not say that i will concentrate on the good stuff . Read on .

### *Contagion Virus*



Something happened to me recently , I was made a mentor to a bunch of 19 year old kids(I aint that old too :P) to participate in some fancy wording thing called "Smart India Hackathon 2018". Sometimes realisation hits you so hard in the .... , like finding a deer in your headlights in the middle of the night . Let me tell you, these kids were doing amazing stuff , the feeling you get when you are packed in a hall with 600+ super energized, dreamyeyed, adrenaline pumped kids working on their projects non-stop for 2 days is definitely going to rub off, it was damn 'contagious' . (I must have caught the startup virus) . The kind of solutions these starry-eyed kind where planning/implementing was just world class , "What happened to these kids ?" Did nobody tell them "Beta, tujse na ho payega, Join a MNC , settle down??"

Woah Man , This is absolute cheating, the biggest SCAM of our times. Why did we not get these benefits, who the hell is this guy, who made them dream again . Can you find this guy ? Phew, i blew my steam off, i have started to dream again, like the kids i met, Initiatives like Startup India, Smart India Hackathon, Smart City .. ( Ahh . i have to stop counting the numbers are more than the number i can count on my fingers) are giving amazing opportunities.

*Is it time to build on the "India Dream"*

or should we wait another century ? What do you think ? What do you want to do ? How much were you paid to give up on ur childhood dreams ? The path is shaky, thorny , but there are many out there who will help you carve out another dream and another inspring story .

Someone said " To be successful, You have to get it right only once",

till then dream on and put out your heart to accomplish it.



# JAI JAWAN, JAI KISAN

## *Farmer Suicide*

Heads up, this one is one going to be brutal and hard-hitting, It will ruffle many feathers, the language :offensive. So much anger is pent-up. It will blow, It will blow badly.

Stomach curls every single time, i hear news that somewhere a farmer has committed suicide for not being able to pay his loan. What infuriates me further is that the amount is trivial <15-35k>. The farmers die (It should be called murder and should be charged to everyone as guilty who eats farm produce) due to shame of being unable to pay the loan.

## *Shame of Not Being to Pay Back Loan*

Did u read the last sentence, i suggest u read it again. Emphasis is on the word SHAME. Did you get a reality check, is this "king normal today? This is the case where every year we hear that, banks close bad loans from industrialists and bad loaners as NPA(Read about it) to the tune of <15-30k> thousand crores, ie. 15-25 thousand thousand crores. GULP. count the zeros in the amount.

Now why do i hear only farmers dying of shame, don't others have shame or does shame apply to people based on their income.

## *Life is Unjust/ Is It ?,*

Or our fates decided on birth. How can we live in this century, when we read two articles side by side, One talks/glorifies about the lavish multi-crore wedding bash thrown by a rich person and in the same breadth you read that a farmer has committed suicide(READ Murdered) for the 15-35K loan he took for his children's wedding. What does this mean to you? Does your heart not beat a skip a heartbeat? Do you feel sad? Or is ur moral compass so dead that you think it is normal for farmers to commit suicide.

I have seen/experienced very closely, how devastating it is to lose the head of the family, i have felt the anguish of someone losing a loved one early, how their children's dream got shattered, how badly the widow had to suffer.

## *Now why are farmers in such a pitiable state*

Now why are farmers in such a pitiable state even after 60+ years of independence? Why do they get swatted away like insects? Why have they just become a statistic? Don't you cry? when u read the statistic released each year about the region wise farmer suicide count. Doesn't your blood boil, when cheap politics start throwing pig-shit at each other, arguing that during my reign it was less, during my reign it was different. Are they "king serious, how the heck can they speak like it as a goddamn statistic.

Very recently, i was reading about an agitation wherein the farmers were demanding 2 promises from the government.

- Higher Rate for their produce
- Free Electricity to Pump Sets

### *Free Electricity For Pump Sets*

Now in the same paper i read about the revolutionary agricultural practices that are followed by a small country like Israel, Bear me with this, i will show you, why indian farmers are asking such demand in 21st century, when you have news like "Space Missions" , "100 crore selling movies" , i aint pointing that they should not earn. My only question is ? What happened to the farmer ? Think about it for a while, think deeply for a minute. I am pretty sure you had nice meal, whereas some farmer out of sheer desperation is planning to end his life. What does your moral compass point to ?

Do you know the actual amount each year the government gives as subsidies for providing free Electricity to farmers. I ask you to stop reading the blog for some time and read about the amount . As per my knowledge nearly 40% of Electricity generated is provided as free Electricity. Do the math, make some use of the education that you so proudly boast of . You might be asking, why is this guy ranting about free Electricity, with the topic as "Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan", this post is lengthy, i suggest you make a cup of tea/coffee to survive the tirade that follows.

Farmers have been made to believe that only free Electricity from the grid is the only solution to their problems. If you tell this statistic/belief to a person from a developed country, you'll be laughed at. Yes, i concur that Electricity is absolutely required due to our dependency on rains (See again, the farmers are made to believe that they are helpless, that only praying to GOD , will solve their problems ) But free Electricity ? Really ? that is most

idiotic, stupidest, a water jug full of holes policy . Are there really no alternative ? Can you think of some alternative ? Do you see the amount of burden on the government ex-chequer has to suffer (Wait a minute, why will he suffer, he's not paying from his pocket. It is people like you and made who are made to suffer by paying tax) (Whoops , looks like another topic to write about ? A 7 part blog on Why Tax? Will someone read it )

### *What's the Solution*

Now whats the solution, c'mon in this age nobody is that dumb enough, someone would have found some solution . I aint Newton who found out about this stuff for the first time . Read what i found , Through Greenpeace, my attention was brought to KUSUM (Whats the FullForm ? ) It is an initiative by the Govt. to provide solar water pumps to remove the dependency on Electricity from the grid . Wait .. Wait .. What hocus-pocus did i just hear " No dependency on Electricity", no way im falling for this silly trap, is some drunk blabbering nonsense .

### *International Solar Alliance*

Now solar is not cheap, many attempts have been made to derail plans for India to get hands on cheap green tech , just two days ago on Oct 2, a conference meet on Green tech called International Solar Alliance(ISA) was conducted , it was having its 5th iteration. Now Some Guy (Find out who) made a bold statement that ISA will replace OPEC in the immediate future for meeting the world energy needs . I believe this is a wonderful opportunity for the farmer to come out of the death trap, for this to happen. Solar/ Wind based water pumps should be provided to every farmer on a war footing .

It needs to be done on a war footing, all the industrialists worth their salt, all the people who eat food produced by the farmers, if you think you have a moral conscience, please help to make it a success. I am pretty sure that you could carve out a few hours from your schedule, because GOD forbid, the alternative is eating food pills in immediate future, if the farmer's future is not set right immediately, then god help us (Especially me, because i have no clue how to grow).

Let me break this topic into two parts (Like the movies to make more money), the next part will be "Higher rate for the produce". It will follow soon.

The content is ready and equally hard hitting, I am not sure if it touched your conscience or not, well it definitely did for me while writing.

*I hope u ate well.*

## *JAI JAWAN JAI KISAN*

### *Part 2*

Could you digest your food properly after reading the previous part 4.1, If not this part will help you do something.

This one is for all the people (Including me) who bargain with the local mandi person and argue with them to reduce 2/3 rs, we are the same people who will not bother paying twice the price for "Organic Food", the same set of people who pay outrageous amount for a puny amount of food at high locale/posh hotels. Who Am i to question what you do with your money, Aren't we paying for the Ambience/The A/C.

### *Who is responsible for the murder ?*

You might ask, hey i am not responsible for anything like farmer Suicide like im blaming now. I still pay 20 Rs for 1Kg tomato, 15Rs per Kg for onion, who the hell are you to point at me. I am not robbing the farmer by taking it for free, Well my friend, i do believe that you are paying whatever you said your paying.

But in reality, the farmer is actually getting robbed, do u have any inkling how much he is actually getting for his produce. After braving all the other problems, now when it is time to enjoy the fruits of his labour, tragedy/misfortune does not let him off easily. You might be paying 20Rs per kg for tomato, in reality he might be getting only 1-2 rs per kg.

### *Tomatoes on The Road*

In your travels, you might have seen truckloads of tomatoes, onion's, potatoes being dumped on the road or garbage bin as part of some protest . Are the farmers crazy, if they are stupid enough to throw away their labour in protest for low prices, then who should be held if something happens to the farmer.

### *Second-Hand Experience*

Let me recollect to you, an incident that was narrated to me in school by my teacher of his first hand experience. He comes from a agricultural family by that i mean , his family was completely dependent on agriculture. During one harvest season, they had a good yield, they loaded 3 truck full of potatoes to the market, tragedy befell them as the price of potato drastically fell from Rs. 8 to Re. 1 .

Now for some basic math, 3 trucks each having 20 bags with each bag having 25 kg. That equals to Rs.12000, this was acceptable as their logistics would cost Rs. 4000 , they could take home 8000Rs . Due to price drop, now their earning is only 1500 and they also have to pay 4000 to the drivers.

What could they do, What you would have done ? After running out of options, they hung their head low in shame and went home empty-handed. How did this happen, from Rs.8 to Rs.1 in a span of 1 day, Arent there any controls to avoid the problem.

Want Answers, read further .

### *Gabbar Singh Tax ( GST )*

You must have hear about the "Gabbar Singh Tax" aka GST . Do

you know the what were its objectives, one small object was the removal of border check posts, now how is this related to farmer suicide, definitely the write has gone nuts, Read on ( You must have great patience to have come thus far, your patience will be rewarded , trust me )

These so called "Check Posts" at some places were actually playing the role of Gabbar Singh, each vehicle has to pay some commission just to pass, Now digest this, the farmer would make 300-400 per day , if he would pay 100 Rs. as bribe,How much would he have left ?. No wonder few Bakasurs built palatial homes by kicking on the farmers stomach .

### *Bakasurs are getting slayed*

### *Khud nahi kaoonga aur doosro ko khaane nahi doonga*

Forgive my bad hindi, This guy told in short "I will not take bribe nor will i allow anyone to take bribe" So now where does GST come in the picture ? What GST did was to reduce the number of intermediaries , the consumer and producer were taxed at a single instance. There was no additional cess that could be added by whims and fancies of any govt.

Mr. GST guy, you pretty well know that some major items like Fuel are not included currently, request you to flex your muscles. We are tired of paying so much tax (My next piece on Why Tax, hopefully will make it clear for few atleast) . With GST , all the information is available instantly online, any searches/raids can now be done easily on mischief mongers who think they are above the law. I hope you remember the drama and furore that erupted when GST was implemented, it was mainly caused by the middlemen who preyed on these low income farmers.

Whats your opinion of GST now? Is it Gabbar Singh Tax or did it remove the actual Gabbar Singh.

### *The Stash*

You will have definitely heard about this joke, Rs. 15 lakh will be added to everyones account by bring the black money stashed abroad. You know something, i have this big laugh whenever i hear this. Here were not able to make the government provide better facilities, the same set wants the cash bonanza ? you think that the rich person who is actually very smart would allow the money to be removed so easily and then added to your account.

### *OTP de bhai, sab kuch hoga ? Black money aayega*

Why should you get the 15 lakhs amount, what makes you eligible ? you lazy person who cribs on the day of voting ? You the person who goes on a tour on Voting Day ? You the person who could not ask the right question ? Do u still think you deserve it ? What were you doing when the money was being stashed abroad ?

### *Jan Dhan Account*

Did you hear something called the Jan Dhan Account , Yes the same minimum balance account , that people still check regularly for 15 lakhs . Because you do not have anything to discuss on Science and development, you fall low to play this cheap trick on others minds. Stop me/Ask me , how does Jan Dhan account stop farmer suicide ? read further if u want know what i found out .

The concept of Jan Dhan a/c was to remove the middlemen who would fake peoples identities and then rob the subsidies that the farmer was entitled to grow something . Now these farmers are poor and illiterate, how can you expect them to operate the Bank

accounts(I had a horrible experience with banks few weeks ago, i will surely write about it). Gone are the days when he had to run pillar to post just to get his meagre subsidies, the days of the babus who played havoc in their lives are hopefully over. RuPay cards were introduced so that the farmer could use for his financial needs.

### *Arrey kya financial ? Iske paas paisa nahi hai na ?*

Do you get the pesky insurance call when your working in the middle of something important, did someone say insurance ? Aha , why cant this stupid farmer just buy some insurance , his problems are solved .

Is It so easy? It so happened that to start a insurance on a new fixture/property you need to have a huge corpus to settle claims. Now imagine the scale ? Which company/institution can boast of having a corpus that could somehow save the poor farmers soul ? It seems that some guy, has put a lot of thought into solving the problem .

### *Krishi Kalyan Cess*

What he did was simple, add an additional cess :P (Nothing original here) "Krishi Kalyan Cess"(KKC) is now added on each and every transaction you make out there (C'mon government , how much will you milk the salaried class dry , do not try our patience, its already stretched too thin, you will have your worst nightmare if the middle class take it in their hands ) .

KKC is the corpus that the government is building to fund for crop failures , so that farmers do not take the extreme step, (You stupid writer, you made me feel miserable, now you are informing that i



am actually paying to save someone ?) (MY point is ? Do you know for what you are actually paying tax ? )

### NAVIC ?

I see a loophole here that the KKC guy failed to notice. Its time to make some black money, just follow the steps i say, you will become the next millionaire (Who will rot in Jail eventually, if u made ur million illegally), see i can post as a farmer, pay some bribe to the official and get the subsidy. It is so damn simple alva ? Gotcha , the KKC guy is not a dumb guy to messed with, What i found out is that he is building a weapon called "NAVIC" (Arrey yaar, so many acronyms seriously ?) , This weapon will do a check, if i am actually a farmer who needs to get reimbursed for crop failure (The kids out there, read how NAVIC can revolutionize India ).

### *Solve hua na , sab problems ?*

i request you , from the depth of my conscience heart. Please dont buy more stuff just because you can afford it and then throw it away because it rotted .

Please , when you to go restaurant with many people to celebrate something good, Do not order in bulk, just because its a party and you need to splurge unashamedly. After sometime , u will hear the chorus ' I'm full, aur nahi hoga' and then u see multiple dishes that will go to the trash, at this moment think about the farmer who got peanuts and struggled a lot to put that plate of bountiful produce for you to eat. If you order less, the hotel will not run away, you can always order again

*" The world is our enough for our needs, but it will never be enough to satisfy our greed "*

Hope You Ate Well , I didn't

# GAGANYAAN

## *My Childhood dream*

Is sky the limit ?

First things first, this post will be pure hope and expectations . I have spewed enough venom in my last post, i can still taste the bitterness on my tongue. I promise to make it up, with the dessert, the topping of ice cream .

I am hoping that i've already convinced the doubters of Why Modi , if not , this post will be my last salvo. I wish you well .

This post is very personal, i will let you get a glimpse of my childhood dream .

When we are kids, we are so inquisitive, we ask so many questions, so many dreams we dream everyday. There is no burden of expectations to meet, earning money to support family. All we wanted to be was either of these

## *Sports Star :*

Who graced our screens after the winning ceremony of matches.

## *Cartoon Super Heroes :*

These characters did magic/impossible stuff in such an amazing way , that we believed everything to be possible. ( I did get a knock on my head, trying to emulate ShaktiMaan) (Kids do not try any stuff shown on tv at home, It hurts) . I still feed the kid in me , by watching cartoons.

## *Freedom fighters*

who fought the tyranny of their times , they are the ones who gave a new meaning to the word freedom.

Now wait ! Is your question ? What have i got to do with the writer's dream, i have my own dreams right. Some which i pursued, some which slipped away, some which people laughed at, some that some day you believed you were incapable just because you were told for something else.

This post is all about my childhood dream, how its fire got rekindled, how my spirits are high as it will ever be . Now some background about myself (Too bad, you need to read , I'm a blabbermouth), I'm a scorpion, in the sense , i am very passionate, i either do stuff completely or i dont do it all, also i am emotional fool, Yes i'm a grown up guy & i do get tears of sadness when i hear something bad happen to someone, i also get tears of joy when i see amazing feats achieved by the superheroes of our generation.

## *1960's*

Incuse you were born during the 1960's (Is there someone this old who is reading this post, plz contact me), i'm sure you'll relate to my dream, How does something that happened 50 years ago still hold relevance in 2018. Plz hear me out.

The decade of 1960's was the Golden Era of Space Age, The whole world stopped and took notice when Russia(USSR) first

launched Sputnik, all you had to do was get up night and then see the greatest engineering marvel, Man had built his very own star at night, he had emulated God in a small way . If you were nerdy enough, you could hear the signals that Sputnik(Our own heartbeat jumped when this star in the sky sent its own heartbeat, telling the men on the ground, that is fine, dont worry mortals)

### *The moment of Humankind*

This was the defining moment of humankind, the one point in human history which brought a sea change in peoples aspiration. This launch made the two superpowers of the time to outdo each other in Space, Historians call it the "Space Race", Few years afterwards there was the next defining moment, how i wish i was born 60 years ago. You would have definitely heard the famous lines ever said by man "That's one small step for man, one giant leap form mankind", it was uttered by Neil Armstrong, the first human to step foot on a celestial object, the place that was dedicated for Gods in all mythology. Neil Armstrong was the first Human God.

Now visualize the scene, you are fixated at the TV screen , like the millions others watching the broadcast of the Apollo landing , i would have surely got a mild attack (It still amazes my today, when i imagine myself).

### *DejaVu*

It is DejaVu after 61 years, Coincidence or not Sputnik 1 was launched yesterday 4th October 1957. Let me ask you, How many of you watched the launch of SpaceX's Falcon Heavy on Feb 6 2018. If you have not watched it, please do now. It is very relevant to what i have to say next.

I had my moment of skipping an entire bunch of hearbeats , i literally had tears of joy flowing nonstop. What i just witnessed was my childhood dreams getting kick started . Ever since i read about Tintin's ("Destination Moon") comic, a seed was sown in the 10 year old me. I wanted to be spacefarer , but as the years passed, the light and the dream slowly faded.

### *Falcon Heavy Launch*

Just a recap on the Falcon Heavy Launch, the launch was regular stuff we see on TV, for me the best moment was , the moment that is still in my eyes is 'The synchronous landing of the two rocket side boosters on land', yes the rockets landed. SpaceX by now had mastered landing single rockets on land and sea.

This was like watching two olympic swimmers do a perfect synchronous dive in the pool. Though another booster(the main) missed its mark on the sea, if it would've happened , then the record books would be blown away for simultaneously landing 3 rocket boosters.

Ok Okay, i'll admit i'm an Elon Musk fanboy , i literally worship him (Ask my friends:P ). Now this is an American dream, bzo to work at Musk's SpaceX i had to be an American, so that was door was shut.



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On 15th August, our latest Independence Day, some guy uttered the word "GAGANYAAN", come again, Gaganyaan, it means spacefarer in sanskrit(Is it?). The term is analogous to the erstwhile USA Astronaut Corps, the Cosmonauts of Russia. Hold on, pinch yourself, did someone say india will have its own beta/beti in Space (Till now , Rakesh Sharma has the distinction of the only Indian in Space). Hopefully as projected by 15th August 2022, while celebrating our 75th Independence, we will have our very own beti on Mars , unfurling the tiranga.

### *Is Sky the Limit ??*

Now for me, i am on the wrong side of the needle, i am 27 years old, maybe i cannot make the first flight. But what our young kids, our children, they have a fighting chance to be the first person. I would give an arm, an eye, a kidney, one leg just for a small space on the ISRO PSLV booster that will take the team India to mars/ moon (beyond, i can dream)

I have become a kid now, i can still accomplish my dream, if not the first flight, i will make the subsequent light . Someone said(Yes someone again) "If you are in my path, then i suggest you move". What about you ? What about your children ? Will you dream again ? Will you let your kids dream big ? Dont you want yourself/ your kid to be a Gaganyatri , do you want to be our new age desi Neil Armstrong (A big salute to Rakesh Sharma)

### *The Only Reason Why*

Come 2019, my vote for Modi will be just for Gaganyaan, i dont care about money, fame, take away everything just for one seat on the SpaceShip.

# WHO ARE YOU ?

History has proof,

That the greatest men of their time

- The thinkers
- The artists
- The scientists

They all were condemned as mad men, ridiculed by everyone.

Only later after few generations, did sense finally trickle down.

## *Sense Tricked Down*

We know what happened to Galileo We know what happened to Copernicus We know what happened to Turing

The entire world talks about sacrifice/charity, but vehemently opposes individual greatness.

Einstein was one of the most powerful man during his lifetime. The worlds greatest riches, power was offered to him, But he did not let himself get corrupted,

It is because great men do not act/work for the approval of others. Their work is a testament to built of their of life.

## *What defines You ?*

Nobody talks of the wealth DaVinci, how rich he was, what dress did he wear.

But his works are priceless. The Monalisa painting

We have all become cynics, We all love a great man falling down, we are jealous when someone gets recognised and admonish it by forecasting that it is all down to luck.

## *Cynical Times*

We are in such grave times, when the likes Elon Musk (Yes i am a fanboy) get so much negative publicity for one missentence. We conveniently forget that, Elon Musk is a single person.

But that single has so much conviction, a purebred dedication to match his statements. We are bound to fail against an idea. We can only destroy the man, but not his Idea.

## *Cannot Destroy An Idea*

Only the body of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi died on 1948. But the idea, the gandhian philosophy can never be destroyed. Mahatma Gandhi was not responsible to giving freedom from the British Rule

It was people who believed him, they believed in his idea, his goals put forth. The entire nation was responsible for getting independence. Mahatma Gandhi is the embodiment of all the souls/heart that power the nation .

*Mahatma : embodiment of souls*

Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan was never Modi's idea. Gandhi said it decades ago : ' Sanitation is more important than political independence'

We read news that crores have gone down the drain (in the literal sense) to build the toilets. These are the same people who have access to all the basic amenities, just because fate was smiling on them.

The people who sit high on their perches, who have not struggled to find a clean toilet. The people who travel business class and make mockery of the infrastructure problems. The people who say that the other country is so beautiful, that the government takes care of its citizens.

*Toilets*

Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan, was not a government funded machinery. It was something that we all learnt during school (The fortunate ones who could attend school) that cleanliness is next to godliness.

But something that we conveniently forget everyday The people who spit on the road The people who throw garbage on vacant plots The people who urinate on walls The people who desecrate monuments and public buildings The people who let sewage on the open flood water drains

Now where is the problem. Is the problem with Modi trying to inform to the people, please clean up your mess. How much can just a person do, should he come and pick up the wrapper on the road that you happily threw while you travelled.

Call me a bhakt, call me any name. Call anyone any names.

Bhakt ?

*A man has no name*

All you have to remember is in the end. Its only the greatest men who will be remembered, The person who stood by his ideals, The person who could think for himself.

*Who Are You*

# WHERE IS THE MONEY ?

We have been made waiting for our Rs. 15 Lakhs. Its 4 years already and none in power will give a definite date. Right ?

Now what happened during this 4 years ? Lets try to find the money

## *Jan Aushad Kendra*

Generic medicine centers have sprung up in most of the places. These medicine provide a cheaper alternative to the high priced medicines. Now for cost comparison , A Diabetes control tablet strip of 10 Tablets cost Rs. 80. Most swallow the meds twice a day. Cost for a year will be Rs. 5760 ( yes, Einstein calculate for once . ) A generic medicine produced locally under license retails at Rs. 20 per strip. Using the alternative would lead to savings of Rs. 4320 per year.

## *Heart Stents*

Vendors were forced to reduce/bring an affordable stents for heart vessel blocks. The stents that would earlier cost Rs. 1 Lakh apiece now can be acquired for Rs. 15000. Thats a savings of Rs. 85000

## *No Job Creation*

Dont we love to post our InstaSelfies and fight so hard for a PUBG chicken dinner. The top selling brand since few years has been Xiaomi. Now where do these phones come from ? Isnt that a stupid question, even a kid can answer that its made in China. Get eyesight checked please, because Xiaomi has setup manufacturing facilities in India to build a few models. Next time someone barks on TV, that there is no Job creation. Use that muscle between your ears before joining the chorus like a sheep.

## *Voting Day*

The best kept secret of election day is that usually comes during the weekend so that everyone can exercise their rights. But we all know what actually happens during election. The streets in cities are all empty, not because everyone has gone to vote. Its just that some people are so smart, they plan vacation in advance.

## *Train Travel*

We all are happy to travel in trains. Its the most comfortable to travel. So many choices of luxury. Let me tell you the irony, Train travel is heavily subsidised in India. The government takes a hit of nearly 43% cost of ticket per person. Subsidy is absolutely required, but is it actually being availed by the intended masses. Next time you travel in train, remember are you actually qualified to use the subsidies ? Do you deserve the subsidies or should it be properly used.

## *Now i ask you*

How is that you remember all your rights.  
But you conveniently forget your duties.  
So the next time, you demand something. Remember to also fulfill

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your duties.

Ignorance is no longer acceptable.

*Choose whom you want to represented by.*

- Not by the money you get the day earlier
- Not by the subsidies you are promised
- Not by the reservations that has become a bane more than a boon

*Will you ask for money again ?*

## EPILOGUE

*To Patient Reader,*

I hope you liked the roller coaster ride. This post was written out of sheer desperation to ward out the negativity .

This is my answers to Modis' 'Swatchata Hai Sewa' call, I hope it helped to clean out few dirt and made you dream again. If you liked my rant and want to read more , go to link to contact later to learn how i do it and how u can help .

*To Shri Narendra Modi ji,*

Call him a superhero, chief protagonist (antagonist to the naysayers), throw at him brickbats, bouquets or flowers, i do salute your amazing work ethic.

You and your and amazing team have showed me how to dream again. I am hoping in my heart of hearts to receive a call from you after reading this . (Secretly installing call recorder now).

*Mera Bharat Mahaan*

Last note All i want to do is to shout on top of my lungs in utter exhilarament when our Gaganyatri lands on Mars.

# ADVENTURE IN WUNDERLAND

## *The Pursuit of Dreams*

The steelbirds are taxing, blinkin away the night sky to a new dawn, i get to ride an apparatus of complete maic. Made up of bits of pieces held by nothin but bolts( All the prayers of the engineers and definitely the fliers who held their breath when it takes them to the heaves (:P skies)

## *Prologue*

The last few months have been a tumultuous ride, nothin less than a perilous roller coaster without any railings for support. So many places things could have gone wrong, Somehow fate(lady luck?) started to smile its mercy when all hopes were fast fading into oblivion , most things had touched nadir.

Dumb luck was ever present, it was like take the most stupidest challenge, it would somehow workout finally. The night sky is shredding its darkness to the hope and glow of a new day, a day for dreams and aspirations. Seems appropriate travellin on a Dreamliner(787) in pursuit of my dreams.

*Beethoven Beckons*

The maestro, virtuoso, Beethoven is the master of all things music. His compositions are a treat to the ears. Beethoven was born at the city of Bonn (Oh yeah, this will be my base of operations for the next 2 years)

*One small step*

Today i jump into the unknown, there are a thousand ways for things to go wrong, but this time i am adamant enough to find a million ways to utilize the next two years for complete development. All thanks to the grace to NRW(North Rhine Westphalia) state that offers subsidised study and travel for students. Trust me :P, i will cover each and every attraction and presumably find a few gems along the way.

*Where am i, Now?*

Borders are all lies, at 30000ft and cruising at 800km/h in the clouds, the borders for which we fight, for which we have shed blood are no longer visible. We are being played by the unseen demon to fight each other, travel once in the skies, everything will disappear.

At 1.30 we departed from home, India will be missed , 30 mins later amritsar moved below passing over to pakistan. Next up, The snow covered Ural mountains were just like a mosaic painting by the master painter, a luxury to the eyes. Every 100kms, i could see something new , be it a huge expanse of water, snow covered

mountains on sun shadow side, greenery so was that it would fill the entire horizon. This is a huge change in surrounding for me, this euro trip already looks promising.

*Fixated on the Map*

Time is 5.45 and we've already covered half of the mileage of 6000km in this piece of engineering marvel, the Boeing Dreamliner 787-800. Earlier two flight trips were on a short haul Airbus planes, this trip was a significant upgrade in terms of miles getting covered. The best part of the flight is the real time map integrated into the Entertainment console, press a button while watching a movie and voila ,a small map pops out like a genie in the button. This would be the early cartographers living dream, observing real time map in search of their destination.

I'm loving this part, it shows that were at 40000ft/12km altitude, the speed being blistering fast at 880km/h(545 mph), it also shows where the aircraft is currently located on the map. I felt sorry for the ones who were sleeping on the flight, see through the window you will be amazed at sights (Thank you, Airhostess for allowing to a vacant Window seat , half screen was the world other half was the majestic wings). This paragraph would not have been possible, if i wasn't willing to ask (Moral : If you want something (Good stuff only), just ask nicely, you might as well get it for free). As i am writing this, the bird is flying somewhere on the large expanse on Russia.

*Free tip*

If you are reading this, my suggestion is just drop whatever work you have and plan a trip at least 15 days over Continental Europe. ( Forget the savings for constructing a house and settling down, if you could see what i am seeing through this 1by2 feet window

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into the world, your life would take a new meaning and you would fly like a bird with freedom

## NO STRINGS ATTACHED

- Don't get attached to anything
- Do not boast of any greatness that you've achieved, take risks when new opportunity arrives.
- Do not rest on any past laurels.

### *Da Vinci*

Da Vinci did not become a poet, painter, explorer, scientist, inventor because he took each act/work as his only career goal.

He was able to do many things because he was able to move on in life at each point where he believed that he had learnt whatever he can from his current occupation.

### *Football/Cricket ?*

Like the love for football/cricket starts when you first start learning/watching the great athletes & you started emulating your heroes.

In the next stage, you put in your heart, blood & soul to become



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a better athlete. At the prime of your life after achieving all the accolades that u could possible gather.

*You will have to move on to the next stage.*

You move to the stage of grooming & mentoring the next batch of dreamy-eyed kids who consider you to be your hero. You then teach/show them all the lessons you learnt, all the cool new tricks you devised in your prime time through your formative player.

Life is such that, the more strings that you cut along the way.

The more freedom you will have to chase your dreams.

Remember that dreams are not a destination but a series of milestones that we keep on passing in the quest to create a something meaningful for ourselves.

## MEMORIES

Not even time could heal,  
for memories never diminished

Your presence,  
always bring sweet thoughts onto me

So close were we,  
sharing our thoughts and dreams alike,

A knot resides at the place,  
where you used to live before

Feels so desolate,  
without you around.

Just a look in your eyes,  
would convey so many thoughts

So bad is the craving,  
to see the eyes , words just cant say  
Deep as a rift,  
have things turned out between us

Would do anything,

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to undo the mistakes

Chances are that you may forget,  
it'll never be the case with me

Silence was,  
the best part of the conversation

Sorrow,  
the hardest thing

## SET 2

- Why Marriage
- Why Wars
  - Hunger & Poverty
  - US Espionage Against India
  - Taj Mahal
- Why Reservation
- Gauhatya or Woman Depravity
- Why Gandhi
  - Gandhi Dharma
  - Gandhi's 1st Monkey
- Why Elon Musk
- Why Bonds
  - Mother
  - Sister

# WHY MARRIAGE

## *Scene 1*

Q. When are u getting married . ?

A. When I earn enough to pay the girl dowry to marry me

After 2 minutes

Knocked out :P

## *Pure economic terms.*

The girls parents would undergo huge loss.

Because they would have invested their entire time and money to make her independent.

## *Lost Inheritance*

And then after marriage, she has to work for the boy's family. The boy's family sometimes also get dowry.

Whereas the girls father, would have to pay loans his entire life, that he would have spent on the marriage for the sake of society.

## *Society Doesn't Do anything anyways*

Save it for your old age, That he would have spent on a pompous marriage just for the sake of society.

How funny life is.

In the end, all we need understand is addition and subtraction

## *Say No to Old Medieval Practices*

In days of kings and queens. The marriage between kingdoms was done to stabilise the neighbours and reduce wars.

The entire kingdom was invited to the feast. Now remember the feast was actually borne by the taxes paid by the peasants. While the kinship enjoyed in vanity .

Now should we still continue the practice.

## *If i ?*

If I get married. It'll be a destination wedding in a far away place among nature

Where just like old times, both the families cook together and eat together

### *Different People, Different Priorities*

Now last week there were many marriages of our country's most famous celebrities.

At one place, there was the wedding of the century of the business magnate .

A wedding of two different cultures conducted at centuries old Palace.

In between, the nation's most famous sportpersons. Winners of their respective court, winners of biggest medals. They had the most unassuming of the marriages, because for them marriage meant something else .  
Read next chapter

## WHY WARS - HUNGER & POVERTY

The hate that has fueled for decades has destroyed millions of lives and endangers our future generations.

We see that humans from Pakistan and Bangladesh as enemies and illegal immigrant, many of us wish misery for the souls on the other side of the border.

For a historical perspective, Indians, Bangladeshis P, Pakistanis come from the same region, the same blood was split for all the 3 countries in their fight for Independence against the British.

Some people at that time, for their convenience, greed, divided our nations. Both of our borders were cut from India. The nation that bountiful resources decades ago, was reduced to a third world country. The Invaders systematically destroyed our traditions, beliefs. With both our borders now closed, it was hate that kept the people from each side away, resulting from millions of lives to die and rot during the Partition.

Our traditions, scriptures speaks about humans who lived for a hundred years. Due to the successful misery brought on us, the life expectancy was 35-40 after Independence. Millions died

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during the Bengal famine, where the local produce was transported out of the country, leading to the native population to hunger and death.

The seed of hatred was sown to destroy the nations for decades to come, all their plans became success.

We still fight bitterly over religion, caste and ego. Our nation is still fractured, though we may have billionaires in palatial mansions, but forget that there are millions of children who sleep without a meal at night, lakhs of pregnant women who for lack of nutrition, would give birth to malnourished children affecting their entire lives.

*Every Life Matters - Which wars should we be fighting*

Even after 70+ years and billion plus population, why haven't we banished the demons of hunger and poverty.

We have movies which collect 100+ crores, companies having lakhs of employees. Is there no end to our greed, Gandhi said 'Mother Earth has enough for our needs, but never enough for our greed'.

Till every child goes to sleep with a stomach filled, can we as humans beings with conscience, the gifted animals who have received a brain can stop the religious war till the sufferings of every human is reduced.

Let us solve our own problems first, If all of us solve our local issues and live with integrity.

Then the sufferings will be a problem that our future generations do not have to deal with .

## WHY WARS - USA ESPIONAGE AGAINST INDIA

It has become increasingly difficult to get any peace at the working of USA Govt.

The land of dreams is turning out to be a nightmare for the refugees, immigrants and the have-nots

With capitalist greed taking over all walks of life and normalcy and state of living improving at the other countries

USA is no longer a preferred destination, When the leadership is run by tainted a male chauvinist , polygamist , it becomes increasingly difficult to paint a rosy picture with the various thorns pricing every day

Rather than build a cooperative peaceful world by helping out in problems with other nations

USA has been continuing to derail economics and install leader of their liking

Someone needs to tell them that the idiotic Cold War is done. We

humans are facing catastrophic climate distress due to the worst human practices of the developed world

Now if you read between the lines and analyse the actions of the various directives of the government, it paints a bleak picture.

Some examples of USA actions on India

\* Cloud Act : USA based companies should handover data stored in foreign countries. This is a response to the local data storage law passed by India on the same lines of EU GDPR .

\* Solar Panel : US Trade Organisation repeatedly complains to place economic sanctions against supply of solar panel to India . India is the biggest importer of oil, since it doesn't have any oil reserves to supply its gigantic population.

But India, strategically located near the equator line, get abundant sun shine for 8+ months , enough to solve its perennial black outs keeping the masses in misery

\* GPS : When infiltrators took over the siachen peaks and started shelling over the important Jammu route which was the only supply route

India's request to US to provide GPS support to overcome the infiltration that had choked the route and brought the state to a standstill

The delay cost the Army precious time, it eventually delayed the expected win against a battalion of armed extremists

To be continued ..

\* Oil

\* Nuclear Energy

# TAJ MAHAL

## *Symbol of Oppression and Slavery*

We all remember the Taj Mahal as the epitome sign of Love of Shah Jahan for his wife Mumtaz

We also know that the labourers and artists that actually built the monument, had their hands cut off

Shah Jahan justified this gruesome act as a prohibition that no other similar monument could be built

Yes, the Taj Mahal is epitome of Architecture.

But why dont we condemn the lives lost

when the bread earning member loses his hands

what happened to the families

how did the families support the catastrophic

should we still call the Taj Mahal as the symbol of love

I wont ,

# WHY RESERVATION

## *Prisoner of Birth*

This topic is a time-fuse. I need to tread the waters carefully else it will rain tornado on me. It will be little dry, not usual quirkiness, Don't sleep yet .

Today is 7-Oct-2018 almost 68+ years since our constitution came into effect.

The constitution was not written in a single day. So dont blame so fast for your current misery:P , everything was well thought out. The constitution written by the founding members took inspiration from the existing republics of its time. India chose to be a democratic country, such that power to run the nation will not rest in the hands of a single party or person .

## *Flashback*

The world had seen the horrors of the last war that arose due to the autocracy in Europe, Dictatorship in USSR. India too

was facing the same problems that once plagued the current superpower. The bloody civil war between the North and South Confederate in America, made the push for Equality as a major declaration in the American Declaration of Independence. Coming back to India, the English had vacated after the relentless struggles of the Freedom fighters. Now the time had come to govern ourselves. At the time of Independence, there were more than 100 princely states.

## *Too many cooks spoil the Broth*

With a big population(Back then it was not huge), numerous languages, multiple cultures how do we frame a common law that is acceptable to everyone. Everyone wanted his demands to be met otherwise they spoke of violent rebellion. The situation was getting out of hand, we could not afford another massacre/ wanton destruction of Partition(We failed , failed badly after getting Independence). (Secretly the Brits were laughing away at our preposterous condition, they left behind a ticking time bomb as inheritance).

Now imagine taking 100 kids to Disneyworld and asking them to choose their favorite toys. The chaos that would ensure , the multiple combinations, the tantrums that the kids would throw, would make any person(Persons too) to lose their mind (Find the person, who asked them initially). Now the kids are civil, non-violent, get them a candy and they would calm down.

In India's case the situation was a very tricky, these states had their own private armies, rebellion was mentioned, could they(they did) turn violent if their expectations were not met .

How would you tackle/solve this sleeping monsters, put it in other way. What do you do when u face a problem for the first time ? Simple. You read about what others did before you. (If you dont



read history , then you are bound to repeat the same mistakes , is this the reason for the current state of ???) . This point was emphasized by my senior , when i just started working in the company, he told me that better solutions(tried and tested) are already available, learn how to find them. (That's why im good at Google :P)

Much of our constitution is borrowed from American constitution as it was the only working democracy at the time(All others were in dire straits). Other articles like law/order, banking policies were continued from british policies with modifications. Now the first problem could be solved by feeding their ego with more land, money .etc(That did the trick)

Another problem that gave sleepless night to the founders was the issue/concept of Equality. Bit of history lesson, ancient india was basically divided into 4 classes(I did not invent, i was taught in class). You see , having the concept of these classes, few enjoyed the luxuries whereas others were mercilessly oppressed (Circa 2018, this still happens in quite a few places).

Can this problem be solved by declaring a law "All Citizens Are Equals" , nope it failed, who follows the rules/laws right (Just see the disgusting animals, who park in middle of road, travel in opposite directions . Will take their class in 'Why Traffic'). Can it be done by penalizing the offenders ? Nada , it failed too (The logistics to enforce is literally/economically not justified )

One suggestion that was floated was the providing incentives ie. the Government would reserve(Finally , the taboo word). Some places would be reserved for the men of oppressed communities (Women had no chance back then) , the Govt. would broadcast the schemes and anyone from the oppressed class could take the benefits and uplift their lives.

Now this was 1950, the world had just survived total annihilation

from the World Wars, Brits/Dutch were retreating and new countries were being formed (We should be fortunate, out the many countries , that got dependence along with us. We are in a good state (Mind it, its in comparison with a failed state)).

The intention behind reservation was noble, without Equality among men, the nation would not be able to continue (It would face another internal civil war). Without which we would have become a Prisoner of Birth .

These incentives were designed to expire after a certain period or meeting expectations. Just like nuclear fission, you need to provide external energy till the reactions reaches a critical point after which it is self sustainable .

Did the incentives expire. Read it in the next part ,

#### Curse of the Boon

# GAUHATYA OR WOMEN DEPRAVITY

I agree and grieve on the loss of life during the vigilantism in places against cow slaughter.

This has become a very famous meme, some say that cows are more safe in india than human beings.

Will you hate Modi and defeat him for this purpose only.

Hear me out for 2 mins, anyways u have already decided what you want to do.

My family travels during the vacation,

the only problem is finding clean and safe toilets for my mother and sister .

For me and dad, its just a matter of finding an empty bush on the highway(happens only in the extreme cases and that too years ago).

Now most of the highways have good sprinkling of food establishments, where we can use the toilets.

I live in a Tier 2 city and by god's grace we have a roof over our head and toilet with it. My mother and sister do not have to face

any issues here.

Now imagine the same condition in the villages.

As we all have been learning since time memorial, Bharat is a country of millions of villages.

Most of the villages are remote and do not have well built sewage infrastructure thats expected to be in cities.

Most of the women folk, have a harrowing experience attending nature's call,

Due to less or almost non-existence of Toilets, the womenfolk have to endure hardships everyday, for their entire life.

Just as an analogy,

What do u do, when the overhead/sump water stops working for 3-4 days. When you dont get water to wash yourself, How harrowing has been the experience, In cities, people put sickleaves as they have to somehow manage the water issue.

Modi's major agenda during his term was fulfilling the dream of the Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi.

The Father of the Nation said  
"Cleanliness Is Next to Godliness"

"We can no more gain God's blessing with an unclean body than with an unclean mind. A clean body cannot reside in an unclean city"

the main quote that was emphasized by Modi through his Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan Mission was

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"So long as you do not take the broom and the bucket in your hands, you-cannot make your towns and cities clean".

Now , think for a while.

Does the dignity and safety of our mothers and sisters have no significance.

Are we so blinded by hate and misery that we wil not stop and think for a while.

The entire nation will choose its next PM aka Prime Minister for the earlier aristocrats and Pradhan Sevak for the newest incubent.

Remember, your are not choosing only for the next 5 years.

But also for the next generation, the generation of your young children.

## WHY GANDHI

Gandhi Said

*We should eat to live and work*

We should eat to live and work, Gandhiji felt earnestly. As in all other aspects, Gandhiji used a minimalistic approach to diet intake too. He propagated that we should consider food as energy, even a medicine that is required to keep our body healthy and fit for work. Hence, we should take only that which is required, in minimum quantity. We should not eat to appease our taste buds.

Two weeks completed of abstaining from Chicken,  
Giving up for some time, the things that once we would not live without .

We come naked into the world and die the same way.

What we leave behind is the friendships we earned, the lives we helped and the number of people we brought along with us.

Our clothes wont matter, our food doesn't matter. They will all be thrown away.

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I am not telling, stop eating food and stop wearing clothes.

With the amount i saved in my expensive food intake, i am able to absorb the 10k donation done towards VidyaPoshak. I will have to continue with greens for the next 3 months to make up the amount. I will have some cheat days, but the next one will be after the Lok Sabha Elections.

I love my jeans, its an open secret. NewPort jeans are the most affordable jeans. Its the brand that i am using since the last 7 years. Few months ago, i hit jackpot, is was able to snag 3 pairs for Rs.299 each, these would be available usually for 500-600.

The amount i usually save up from my clothes, by not drinking and smoking , i end up buying items which help me to do something more.

Think again before buying expensive stuff which u will discard easily.

Buy books, drawing pads and restart the creative child in you.

# GANDHI DHARMA

Gandhi dharma

It's 71 years, since

MGK

became immortal as

Mahatma

Our freedom did not come easily

When Gandhi's

3 monkey

Turned to

Stop - who speak evil

Stop - who do evil

Stop - no longer tolerate to see evil

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When  
Live and let live

Mother earth has enough for our needs

Dont let greed manifest again as evil

Our children

and next generations will judge

us

Be responsible

## GANDHI'S 1ST MONKEY

One of the 3 monkey's of Gandhi, depicts as speak no evil

It also has another significance, do not speak unless required.

*For first step : giving up alcohol/intoxication was easy.*

Being a teetotaler, i had to reduce/stop the addiction to daily coffee. After two weeks i am able to control my caffeine intake to once every alternate day. Once a week on a sunday, i've twice. Its my break day. For next six days its only 3 cups of coffee with milk .

*For second step : giving up chicken*

Turned out to be difficult initially. Especially the first 3 days, now its 2 weeks exactly since my last chicken meal, As i mentioned in my previos past. My break meal would be after the result of LokSabha election results 2019 and only if Modi returns as a PM with majority. Need to put my focus and effort in

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solving local problems. Main focus is rejuvenation of water bodies and upkeep of existing ones.

*for third step : Vow of silence*

I've always spoken more than enough, without invitation, not letting the other complete, interrupting other people. I always felt that i need to be more vocal to push my agenda.

Controlling my natural instinct and instant impulse will be my target. Bare minimum for emergency requirement.  
This is part of my preparation for my travel and stay in Space.  
Have to start small batches of solitary to get used.  
Will help me to pass psychological profiles.

## WHY ELON MUSK

- \* SpaceX
- \* Tesla Motors
- \* Boring Company
- \* OpenAI
- \* NeuraLink

Now why would you build these disparate companies ?

It would make sense, only if the person who does this is

*Elon Musk*

Elon is building these companies to automate/accelerate to protect the superpower in all of us. Now what's the superpower he is trying to protect. It will be revealed somewhere in this post. Read on if ur hooked,

Now if you have read his master plan and subsequently his master plan part deux.  
All his plans point towards human resettlement on non-earth space objects.

For any human settlement outside earth , what would be required . Can you come up with a few ideas?

Now i have come up with some things that i could think of. did u think the same ? Did u come up with other things ?

1. Protection against radiation exposure.
2. Protection against sand/dust storms.
3. Housing settlement i.e. homes, energy generation, laboratories, food produce.
4. Transportation between settlement.
5. Extended hibernation for space travel and cold periods.
6. Override control incase of emergency from remote location.
7. Surveillance and communication.

Now for a minute think of elon's companies, do u see what i see.

Imagine that you are elon musk and have billions to solve these problems.

Now what's the most economical, practical and reusable strategy to solve these issues.

1. Underground bunkers solve the first and second problems.
2. Underground rail solves the fourth problem.
3. An array of low-orbit satellite constellation solves problem number seven.
4. A brain interface can solve problem six

I could come up with only these, do u have some solution to these problems and the ones that you found (Do send me what u thought).

Back to the original Elon Musk, the connection is very apparent between each company and the solutions for these problems.

1. Boring Company is the company that is going to build the Underground bunkers and tunnels.
2. Tesla Motors will provide the locomotives for transport and its

energy division is will use its solar and battery storage to generate electricity for life support systems.

3. SpaceX along with the task of beaming up the passengers on these extra terrestrial lands will also launch the starlink constellation for communications and Surveillance.

4. NeuraLink will build advanced interfaces for robust robot control with mind , the human consciousness is what is he doing it all.

Perfecting these companies on earth, he is tuning them to survive the hostile environment that we will face once earth becomes unsustainable because of our greed,

# WHY BONDS - MOTHER

The constant - 9 months before birth till stop of breath

Change is inevitable over the years. Time & circumstances bring out the new dimensions in people as they follow their own journey. To any person, the only constant is the Mother.

Over a period of 9 months, the child becomes the most heavily guarded item for the mother. She nurtures the child with her own blood, thinking about the adventures the child will undertake in its life time and she dreams of being there with the child along through its life, to provide all the support she can and as a guide into the unknown world.

The 9 months is a physically torturous period for the mother. No sane human being will undergo that pain and strain for something that fate has its own rules. She doesn't expect anything for the child, all she wants is to bring a new life into the world through that will make its name for itself.

The 9 month journey is very important for the child. This period determines how the child will come into the world. If the mother is taken care and has good thoughts and dreams for the child, expect a healthy child to be born and the child can turn out well. If the circumstances are not right and the mother is to undergo constant ridicule, abuse from other and she is not well fed, chances are high that the child we be born with health issues. Its important for the mother, to be aware of she does during the 9 months she is carrying the child. The child will have the same imagination, as its a part of the mother. It is a progeny that carries everything from its mother.

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## WHY BONDS- SISTER

Its 21 years, since i saw the small organism (orangutan :P) getting care from mom when you first came out in the world.

Time zooms past, if we dont pause and look how far we've come. Otherwise it seems we dont have anything, when we actually had everything.

All the family trips in car, you were the silent observer. Sulking most of the times for some harmless sentence that would be flying during the discussions.

I remember the crying fairy during your 1st Annual day at Bright English Medium school. All the other little fairies were smiling and laughing. Here you were with tears in your eyes and total pink face.

Everytime accompanying with mom to shop for you would be nightmare. The shopkeeper would show a hundred different items, but as the time would be running and we would be impatient. You would always choose the one in pink.

History will be a witness to other dresses, that still reside in the cupboard. The ones that we

sometimes forced for you to take in place of the pink dress. What we learnt was, that once you decide something, you will stick to it no matter who says anything.

You are always the hardworking type, putting in the extra hours, going the extra mile to know all the information accurately. You never took a decision on a whim, each decision would be coldly calculated and doublechecked. In the long run, this helps you to have a solid background, where each decision will have data.

Hopefully you were too young to remember the difficult period that we went through. Adversity when it comes at a young age helps us to become independent very early in life. You are battle tested now, setbacks hurt , but you will overcome them every time.

Last 18 months would be the toughest period i know. I had to make up for all the years i missed in between. (fighting my own demons). You would have certainly felt manz times, how heartless can my brother be. He doesn't appreciate anything that i've done till now, he always speaks of some higher ideal.

I will always be your difficult taskmaster, if you can survive and overcome against my onslaught. Then there is nothing in the world that would surprise you. Being the elder one, i have to pass on my knowledge with you. Now if i say, do this when that happens you will not understand. As the saying goes

Tell me, i will forget.

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Show me, i might remember.  
Involve me, i will surely understand.

I dont enjoy being the pin prick, but i gotta do what a brother gotta do.

You are independent and can take your own decision. Our wishes and love will always be with you.  
Because we know that anything you choose, you will choose wisely (Other lecture is always ready :P)

Set high goals, enjoy the journey of each milestone and work diligently to accomplish your dreams.

The world might laugh and call you crazy. But when the end comes, make sure that everyone will pause and marvel at your accomplishments and what you brought into the world.

Make the world a better place.

Your fiercest Critcs,  
Dad, Mum, Me

## SET 3

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# WHY SUDHA MURTHY

The first person to face the highest perils, only dreams and will power keeps the engine running. Ms. Kulkarni achieved the first among many achievements which now seem doable, but was next to impossible when she did it.

Coming from the same college, her accomplishments & her ideas are milestones, that i want to reach and surpass.

What achievements would you ask ?

- Her starting a school .
- Her donating a building for engg. students classroom
- Her donating an entire library of books to students. (Multiple places, if i am not wrong)
- Her insights and morals shared in her books
- Her simple living & choices made to stay simple, inspite of her vast wealth
- Her leading and championing social causes at Neralu, Infosys Foundation.

These are my guiding pillars and milestones that i want to surpass, she has shown the way that it is possible. I only have to put extra effort that her, definitely it is achievable.

A role model for all growing children, grown-up(are they?) to live a shining life.

# WHY OPEN SOURCE : CUTTING EDGE TECH

OpenSourceIndia had its 15th conference at Nimhans Convention Center, Bengaluru on 11,12th October 2019. Two days of enriching talks, debates, demos and workshops were conducted, it was certainly an intellectual feast.

## *But why OpenSource ?*

aren't we happy with Windows10(The pirated copy, they know you are using it) where we can customize Wallpapers, aren't we happy with iPhones (Portrait mode, end of discussion).

Do you know that there is an entirely different world out there ? (For those who haven't heard of OpenSource). Do you know that Neo from Matrix actually exists. This world is called OpenSource. Did you know that you can create your MobileOS(Its time i build one, come back here later, i'll provide link :How To) like Similar to Android in minutes, or that you can have a free/licensed OS like Windows within minutes. (You can customize literally anything you wish , not just the Wallpapers).

There was skepticism earlier regarding the durability, quality of open source projects, those things are matter of the past now. These days, the bigwigs of tech like Google, Amazon, Alibaba all OpenSource their projects. (Are they mad to give away their source

code for free[for the work that they paid for their employees for], wouldn't someone just copy it and sell for a lower amount).

## *Necessity is the Mother of All Inventions.*

Rapid innovation is the mantra now, as they said 'Necessity is the Mother of all Inventions'. The top companies are in a precarious situation, you see not everyone works for money all the time, People want to harness and develop their creativity. Now we all now , that each company that we work for cannot be in the business of building (profitable)rockets. Instead we can work on which projects which helps for our personal development.

So how do we harness the creativity rage that keeps knocking on the door, the door that opens(?) is OpenSource. With OpenSource, you can build literally anything you wish(Please be ethical) & then put out your work on the open (github.com, bitbucket.org, gitlab.com) . If someone likes your work , they will either

1. Use it for free
2. Pay you a small donation for helping them
3. Best Reason : They will contribute to your project, making it even more attractive

Wait, Wait, if i work on OpenSource & nobody pays me, who fill the bellies of my parents , kids and spouse ? Is there any future in OpenSource .

## *Show me the Money, Honey*

We are the right moment to jumo into the OpenSource bandwagon, Are we that dumb to reinvent the wheel again. If you want to build a fast performance car, will you concentrate on revolutionizing the drivetrain for improved efficiency and performance metrics or will you spend time scratching your head

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to think which tire thread would look good (Why don't i just buy the best tires available on the market).

All companies are slowly coming to the realization that OpenSource collaboration is the only way to innovate faster and better.

The Major selling point in OpenSource, It promotes meritocracy, there are no bias against race, colour, creed etc. If your work is good enough then it is the only entry criteria.

## WHY OPEN SOURCE : FOR STUDENTS

Do you want to be like Neo ? (Not the bullet dodging superskill). Students at any and every stage of studies should now be exposed to OpenSource Tech.

If you are buying a new PC go for a Ubuntu/Centos/RHEL certified Laptop/Desktop. Trust me , you will be struggling initially but then you will be in demand during Placement season.

The tables have been turned on proprietary tech , all the the companies have understood that if they don't utilise OpenSource projects(If we use OpenSource, then you should release the code back to the community). It is just not the free s/w, but the pace the at which s/w is being updated.

### *Absolute Mechanisms*

Gone are the days of devices which would become absolute due to non patching(update mechanism). With the rise of WiFi/4g/5g networks that have democratized use of Internet. The devices have become smart(aka IOT) . What do you think powers these devices ? Voila. Its Linux

Do you want(not wish) your home to be automated like they show in Ironman, Batman movies ? Does amazon echo/google home ads flash first to your mind(Feeling bad that it is too expensive and cant afford it). Well, you are in for a treat, you see the same tech can be yours for less than 3-4k and it can be built in your home and you need not order it online ( Please read about the Raspberry Pi Projects)

### *Flashback*

OpenSource has its roots from a passionate College Student from Finland who had written an OS, he goes by the name of Linus Torvalds, this single college project (It was based on the previous UNIX system by AT&T labs) has made a world of difference to the age of Computers. The s/w is still kicking & running even after 30 years of its first release. It is the s/w that powers your smart watches, smart TV's, drones, aircraft, nuclear reactors (the list is endless), almost all the electronic devices out there are based on the OS that Linus built . (Linux = Linus + Unix .. Compende ?).

*Its the size of the dog in the fight , its the size of the fight in the Dog :Mark Twain*

Linux has survived the onslaught of Windows OS, Mac OS, thought initially it was treated as the uncool kid all the time. Linux is now having its time of the life. Recently Microsoft proudly(not exactly) announced that the Azure Cloud offering now has close to > 60% linux servers deployed and that most of its services are now powered by Linux.

Last Bit, Android device are built on top of Linux kernel. A request to all instructors, teachers, professors at schools, college, universities, Please switch to linux immediately, the pain you take now, will be rewarded when your pupils are well established.

I hope by now, you are a bit convinced to try out Linux as your default OS (You will miss playing games), if you want to be the cool kid , switch to Linux now !! (You can buy your own gaming rig once you earn )

# WHY FORGE AHEAD

Do not lose sight of the forest for the trees. You have a bigger goal, be grounded, help others as much as possible.

From being an average student, to scoring 9+ pointers, all that was needed was direction. Believe in yourself, make a plan, keep it to small daily chunks, anything that you wish can be done.

See, learn, follow how others have accomplished goals before you, plan accordingly. It is okay to take some time off. We are humans after all, not machines.

Recharge & start again, remember the marshmallow test, low compounded interest will fetch more returns in the long run than a high simple interest.

Learn new things, start a hobby a month. Reach down to the child inside, it knows what to do. You will find your answers.

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