

INTRODUCTION

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As I got admitted into this grand old institute, I, at once, found myself at home among the people here. A shared drive and determination in everyone greeted me. Be it the professors, the seniors, or the various support staff, everyone strove to restore things back to normal for our batch, the first one to have a completely offline experience since the pandemic. And undoubtedly it inspired me to work for this community.

I was fortunate to experience the rich social and cultural aspects of our institute right from the start. Having won a hat-trick of Inter IIT Cultural Cup for the past three years is a testament to how our institute values varied and unique cultural interests so as to promote organic exchange of thoughts and beliefs. As someone who recognises the importance of this particular heritage of our institute, I assure you I shall constantly strive just to make it better from here. And hence I am here presenting my candidature for the post of General Secretary Social and Cultural, Technology Students' Gymkhana, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.

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Technology Kharagpur as our institute is filled with students with varied and unique cultural interests so as to promote organic exchange of thoughts and beliefs.

I have gained valuable experiences working with different groups of people throughout my stay at our institute, they have taught me various values and skills which help me stay motivated to contest for General Secretary Social and Cultural, Technology Students Gymkhana, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur. In my first year, I was selected as an Associate Team Member of Spring Fest. A role that has been inspirational and has played a crucial role in shaping my personality. I undertook various responsibilities across publicity, media outreach, and event management. Notably, under the publicity and media outreach facet, I achieved an exceptional 466% year-over-year surge in participation for Hitch Hike Nationwide prelims in Ahmedabad. Additionally, the team was responsible for getting the maximum number of articles to get printed all over India with almost more than 250 articles being printed. We also maintained the maximum number of Campus Ambassadors throughout the fest which resulted in getting 1100+ participants from all over India. I was also part of publicity drives to the cities of ___bhubneshwar___ and ___patna_ which resulted in increased participation from these regions. During the fest time, I along with 7 Associate Members was responsible

for providing
accomodation to 2700+ students from all over India in various halls of residences in our college.

In my second year, I was selected as a Core Organising Team Member of Spring Fest. A role that has been particularly formative for my current ambitions of becoming the General Secretary Social and Cultural. I undertook various responsibilities across publicity, media outreach, sponsorship, marketing, and event management.

Notably, under the publicity and media outreach facet, I achieved an exceptional 105% year-over-year surge in participant engagement for the Hitch Hike Nationwide prelims in Mumbai. Additionally, I coordinated with team members to host nationwide prelims in cities like Jharkhand.

Under sponsorship and marketing facet, I spearheaded a team of 6 core organising team members who were responsible for successful conduction of the sponsorship drive in the region of Mumbai in which I personally securing INR 2.32 lakhs during our Sponsorship drive and achieved a 109% year-over-year surge of funds collected in this region.

Under the events portfolio, I was instrumental in curating and managing events in the Fine Arts genre, which included the Digital Illustration ,Frenzy Fabric and Brand, significantly boosting participation. All the events saw a huge rise in participation.

My responsibilities also extended to managing the events held at Vikramshila and Kalidas, where I along with three other core organising team members and 6 Associate members were responsible for managing the various events held at the location during Spring Fest 2025.

These experiences have endowed me with invaluable skills in planning, coordination, and execution, bolstered by robust interpersonal communication and teamwork abilities. My past experiences at IIT Kharagpur have prepared me to inspire and lead, setting a standard of excellence that aligns with the values and aspirations of our institute.

I am enthusiastic about the possibility of serving the student body and contributing to our collective success and well-being. I shall do my best in giving back to this glorious institute by tirelessly pushing for ambitious goals if elected as the General Secretary Social and Cultural, Technology Students' Gymkhana, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur for the academic session 2025- 2026

PROPOSAL

To improve Inter IIT by creating a new team

To Increase Participation in General Championship through changes in Rules

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