**How do you see your career developing & how will this program help you achieve your goals.**

(Talk about why you chose medicine in the first place, what was your goal?), post-graduation returning back to my homestate (why? Why did you want to return) ~~when I came back to serve as a doctor in my place- Andaman & nicobar islands, a group of 300 islands situated in bay of Bengal~~. I got selected under national rural health mission ( government of india initiative) as a general duty medical officer & got posted as in-charge in one of the primary health center in one of the remotest area in Andamans, ~~where there was regular electricity cuts, no proper mobile network & internet, & above all no cable tv channels.~~ Here I led a team of 20 staffs (what were your responsibilities)

When I arrived at the hospital, I came to face to face with many challenges prevailing in running the hospital. First there was chronic shortage of electricity, which hampered the proper functioning of the hospital. Second, the staffs were irregular in their duty because no medical officer in the hospital to question them. Third, some basic medical equipment was not available such as X-ray & blood investigation machines. Fourth, the hospital building was in dilapidated condition.

(Why had this not been resolved earlier, how did you take a different approach, why?) The first thing which I did was to write letter to my Director & other officials of the administration. After repeated attempts, the senior officials provided me with the necessary solutions. They provided me with a generator set, which was very helpful as it increased the work efficiency of the hospital by 50%. I had been provided with x-ray machine with a radiographer & blood investigation equipment. All these efforts increased the patient numbers incrementally up to 100% increase in footfall in 2 years of my stay. Also because of my man-management skills my staff started coming to hospital on time.

The impact I was able to create and improvements I caused made me realize that though I loved medicine but the managerial aspect of the job intrigued me more (why? Because it maybe allowed you to create a larger impact, also talk that you loved working on projects and solving them) . ~~I never constrained myself with only the treatment part of my job.~~ Also by virtue of my job I developed team management & problem solving qualities. I conversed daily with patients, politicians, & senior officials of the administration, which honed my communication skill. All of these made me realize that I am more suited to a management role.

I would like to further my career as management consultant. My short term goal would be to get into the consulting industries with a focus in healthcare. Then I would like to work in different projects & further hone my skill for 7-8 years. My long term goal would be to get into an advisory role for non-profit organization or the government to achieve affordable & sustainable healthcare.

Currently, I have a very basic business & management understanding & RSM MBA will help me develop a comprehensive understanding of the same. The most important aspect which attracted me towards the RSM MBA is its focus on sustainability. Having worked in the government sector throughout my career, I value the importance of sustainability, affordability, & frugality in all industries more so in healthcare industries (so how will this help you add value to RSM or learn more from it). (Talk a bit about other courses or specializations you were interested in) I would also like to join the strategy & consulting club of RSM. Here I would be able to learn from my peers, who already have worked in consulting industry ~~or have prior consulting knowledge~~. Lastly, RSM with its strong & growing alumni will provide me ample networking opportunities. The international class profile of the class will be an added advantage, as I would be able to learn about other cultures & business opportunities in other countries.