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**Mudita Rana :** You know I'll miss you. Thank you for making my last time on the convo stage so special. Stay passionate. Love always, (not) laddoo ❤️

**Devyani Verma :** Just 700 words? Nhp but I will try saying the important things and hope that it stays true in the coming years too. You are my best friend Neeraj and we may not talk every day but you have become my family now. I am just a stupid girl who doesn't know how to keep in touch, please forgive me for that? With each misunderstanding we conquered, our friendship has grown. You have been around practically my entire insti life, I wish that our time wasn't cut short like this but you know I will always love you and I am ALWAYS one call/text away, you. Thank you for being you, so patient with me all these years & staying. I hope I get to keep you in my life forever cuz we go much beyond just college.

**Aditya Kasture :** Neeraj Sohani! Where to start! Its amazing how an art form made us connect to begin with and how over the years you have grown so close to me all because of a common shared emotion. All our performances, all the choreos right from Kscope to AIDS, we have been on a journey and you being there has made it much more memorable. Long down the line when someone would ask me whos the one person you loved enjoying the stage with, I am sure yours would be a name to pop up! You are genuinely one of the nicest guys around and I am sure the love for dance will keep us connected! <3

**Animesh Singhal :** Hey Neeraj! You know that I've always looked up to you when it comes to dancing. From starting my hip hop journey with you in the first year with you (Thanks for teaching us <3) to ending it with you in the most memorable performance of my life at AIDS'20; you've been incredibly humble and patient! Aaj tak koi aisa senior nahi dekha jisne itne generously sabko itna kuch sikhaya hai aur sabka itna dhyaan bhi rakha hai. 2nd-year gyrations ke baad jab aapna message aaya tha "Bohot achcha naacha ladke", that was the proudest moment of my dance journey in insti life! Always stay the same <3



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**Tanya Mamgain :** Hey Neeraj ! I hope we can go out to have pancakes one more time . Thanks for all your help in AIDS and thanks for bearing with me. K bie

**Pranav Sankhe :** Neeraj brooo. Mujhe tu supercool insaan lagta hai! Taking things easy ka epitome hai tu and massive respect for that. And damn, I was so proud and happy to accompany you and Poornima at Gateway protests. What an electrifying atmosphere outside and the blood raging inside! Both for justice. I love you for your empathetic nature. I wish we could have interacted more in the formative years in insti but nevertheless we teeny tinily made up for it the later semesters and, we always have time. Let's continue to meet, share ideas, and fight for justice! Please stay in touch!

**Risha Agarwal :** Hey, Thank you for not judging me when I sprinkled 28288383 packets of oregano and flakes on pizzas :P thank you for making Sobo 1.0 and Malhar amazing. You've grown into a wonderful person as well as dancer, and I'm still waiting for sobo 2.0 to happen 🤪 I hope you always be as strict as you are w your traffic rules 🙄 and keep dancing and being amazing :D lots of luck and love!!!

**Saurabh Kolambe :** Yo bro. Ssup ? VLSI CAD ka project tere bina kaise karta me bro. I still remember that H2 ke study room wali nightout. Tu devyani and me. 1 din bacha tha bas and you still were so chilled out doing random dance moves bich me kabhi laptop leke code kar liya fir se randomly dance moves. LOL. I thought you are so weird that time. But then final yr me same floor pe time spent karne ke baad I realized how much you love dance. You even tried teaching me too and I am really sorry for letting you down. haha. But I really look forward sometime later to learn some cool dance moves from you. Aise hi masti me rehna and yaado me jinda rakhna. Apan firse jaroor milenge! Stay in touch bro.



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**Prudhvi Kavya :** Neerjaaaaaaaaaaaa!! This is my patented name I'm gonna keep calling you even if you become the CEO of dance :P Bhai how you went from not dancing at all in the first year to insti ka star dancer still boggles my brain! And on top of that you're the only person I know who took interest in Physics BY CHOICE xD Remember the days when we had classes in the LCH and I used to sing and you used to dance in the middle of the class? Ab cheezein abruptly khatam ho gayi hai, so keep in touch online and not only for birthdays <3

**Tanisha Joshi :** My dance teacher during my internship who turned out to be one of the best friends I found in campus ♡♡♡ Always remain the wonderful soul that you are, keep dancing, and stay in touch (vvimp.) ps: Powai Lake ke raaste pe baarish me mene bas ek baar pagalo ki tarah naacha he, wo din humesha yaad rahega \*.\*

**Apoorv Kishore :** Yo Neeraj.. firstly, I'm sry for being such a pain in the butt during AIDS :P Now i know what kind of jokes you don't like (ghosts & sarcasm :P). Now getting to the real things, I don't know if I will ever meet such a caring friend ever again. I had stopped caring about even my good friends after "you know what" and it was you & Avijit who made me realise that caring abt others is a beautiful thing, it can change people who are suffering, like it changed me. Coming to dance, I regret so much to not having learned enough from you when i Had the time. It is so inspiring to see you dance this way and I know how hard you have worked for it. I hope we get to dance together in the future :)

**Preet Lodaya :** Hi Neeraj! Kafi sahi experience raha aapke sath Gyra mein naachna and interact karna in general. Hopefully I can love things and hence be as passionate as you are about whatever I do in life :)



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**Aashay Biyani :** Neeraj!!!! You are a great dancer, a helping senior and a very sweet person. The number of coincidental meets we have had is far more than I have had with anyone. From learning to dance in my freshmen year to dancing and winning Gyra, I have great memories with you. Will miss you!!!

**Rohan Pathak :** Bhai Neeraj, itna kitna koi cute ho sakta bhai and itna acha dil ka <3 I have always admired for your dedication and hard work to Dance. Maine dekhke sikha ki aise kuch bhi pasand rha toh aadmi kar hi sakta. Also thank you wing mein ekdum anjaan hone ke bawajood apna jaisa rakha. If only ye 3 mahine bhi mil jaate :( I hope ki mai bhi finally tere jaisa satisfied and mast magan ban pau :)) Btw Catan sikh rha finally xD

**Kethan Chauhan :** You have a very different perspective towards things which is very intriguing, I am glad I got to witness that

**Aditya Tapase :** I was really fortunate to have such a pure-hearted person like you as my roommate. Will never forget, you were the reason I started loving pizza. Your last minute white board teachings and your unique ways of explanations will be missed. Your passion and dedication for the things you love is commendable. Be it physics or dancing, you do your best at it. You have got a happy-go-lucky attitude, which I admire. Forgive me for the times whenever I wasn't so appreciative about it. Also whenever I may have annoyed you. I am happy for all your achievements in all fields. I wish you all the best for your future. Keep following all your dreams with that cheerful personality. Thank you for everything!





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**Mookund Sureka :** 1. Samosa Story 2. Poop ke bhai wali story 3. Thanks for Netflix 4. Welcome for everything else 5. SDL happened 4 years ago, so move on 6. I can't recall more stories ://

**Anmol Gupta :** Hi Lost Boi :P Quite clearly, apan donon ke life ke funde bohot alag hain, easy to even call some of our opinions antithetic to each other - and of course that has led to a number of debates - but then there have been moments when I've felt that you understood me in a way that no other could in the room, and it's those times that I remember the most :) The lines you sent me last year have stayed close to me ever since, thank you once again for them :) Sorry for showing how much I could eat, in Goa - no offence intended really XD I know you hate my smirks a lot, I'll try doing them less around you :3 Aur isko ek saath mat padhna, remember delayed happiness? XD ~ Pyaar

**Aayushi Baheti :** That one conversation with you made me feel I wish hum pehle mile hote! Mujhe better guidance mil jaati 😊 Wishing you lots of boathouse trips with your loved ones ♥

**Mukul Jangid :** Hey Neerja! yaad hai woh h7 ke bahar waali raat when you were entitled by name "Neerjob" 😊. First year se leke aaj tak aapne kaafi motivate aur inspire kiya hai mujhe. Bohot deep deep discussions kiye hai aapke saath and obviously aapne meri infinite harqatein bhi jheli hai. Kitna hi judge karlo but woh joey's trip and mole waala joke toh aap lifetime nahi bhuloge 🤔. Ek hi regret reh gya hai buss ke aapke sath start kara koi bhi choreo aaj tak khatam nahi hua for some reason(right from firestone jo aapne mere bina shoot kar liya tha 😊, till sunflower). Lastly this will always be the best conversation ever♥- Mukul - Googli boogli bush  $(n na)^3$  ,Neeraj - (pap para pap paa raa raa) $^2$  Nescafe..



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**R Aditya Narayan :** Hey man! Weird looks when ever we meet each other and you borrowing my shirts for dance has been a constant. I think you're way chill and fun to hang out with. We were the only guys who were not going to leave hostel no matter what happened, but they still managed to kick us out :((). Hope to meet you again after this gets over. Best of luck for your future !!

**Sarthak Nijhawan :** >10 years and counting. never imagined we'd stay so close after high school yet still far apart. I had a chance to properly interact with you only after I converted to DD (6 years, man!- fb chats substantiates that claim :P). Boy, you were a changed personality, which is what I have grown to admire the most about you. Ur dedication to ur art, Ur unfiltered feedback for me over these years & those tough fights (though verbal, on social media platforms :P) you pick for a cause was, is and always be an inspiration to watch. Here's to everything we've shared for over a decade. Hope to see a lot of you in the years to come. Stay in touch and all the best dude! I know you're gonna kill it.

**Sanket Agrawal :** Suhavni, it's been quite a journey these five years. Dude there are so so so many memories with you. From long discussions at night to 12AM random desert cravings to gossip wing to crying my heart out before you, I cannot look back at my insti life without even keeping you out of it for a second. Tere jitna passionate, sweet hearted and carefree banda hai nhi bhai :) Need I say anything about your epic dancing skills? I can never forget that night, you took me in your arms and acknowledged every tear coming out and calmed me down. We have been a pillar to each other's every emotion. I think you are one of the closest anyone has EVER been to me :) I will always stay in touch with you bro!



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**Shruti Tejrao Sose :** 700characters shayad kum padenge So Hi Neeraj..... Yaad aya 1st impression apka hum freshers pe pada tha one was watching your dance from outside of dance room and phir andar aake aap bolte ho ki you started learning insti ane ke baad. 😊 Seriously... No one will believe it abhi toh ... Ab toh dance ke baap dada sab ban gaye ho.... And wo 1st year me apki prank msg bheja tha wingie ki phone se yaad hai 🤔🤔🤔 bhai maza aya tha you took it seriously... 2nd inter IIT har baar jab bhi moral down hua h aap aake samjhate the ... Maza nhi araha ..koi na kar lenge maza 😊... And aur ek yaad agaya 1st inter IIT ke time pe apki story lava ke room pe 😊... Aise toh bohot saare memorable moments hai

**Satyam Mohla :** Man you have been such a cool dude, a baller in insti. din me quantum computer banate ho rat ko dance krte ho, like life sort kr rakhi hai :D I have known you since 2nd year from H6 and even more after last year when we became neighbours. Man I'd miss you asking my shirt cos my shirt is big enough as a overshirt for your dance practice? haha, it was great time man, stay in touch.

**Anusha Dubey :** Neeeeeraj!! 😊 first year Inter IIT me Prakhar ne Guwahati se aake milwaya tha apne ko :P But uske baad se jo teri fangirling ki hai maine, tu shayad kabhi nahi bhulega 🤔 I miss all our random conversations and how you supported me every time you felt something was not okay. Thank you for always being so calm and understanding. Tere sath McD aur Joey's or kabhi na hone wali Versova (:P) ki outing bohot awesome thi, wish we have had a li'l more of those. All the best for your future and stay in touch ♥♥

**Sumukh Vaidya :** Kafi longtime connection between us eh? From our dads being batchmates to us being batchies it's been a fun ride with you. Kaafi respect for your dancing skills, and love your great attitude to life. Let's keep in touch, shall we? All the best for the life ahead !!!



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**Anuj Naik :** Main, prathmesh, parathe aur aap - Juhu beach, pehli baar aise time spend kiya tha aapke saath. (First year se hi I idealized you as a dancer, daaru nhi davai hai ke expressions ka fan tha main!! I remember first year main sab lakshmi gaye the and you were standing besides me and I wanted to talk to you but himmat hi nhi hui thi) But us din pata chala tha how approachable you were, it was so easy to act natural with you. You were one of the very few people jinhone kabhi pain nhi diya, you were always there to help, and you were the one who made this year's AIDS one of the best. Can't thank you enough. Please bhulna mat!

**Anugya Singh :** Hey Neeraj One of the kindest seniors I came to know during my ICC tenure. And when I got to know you, there was no doubt about the fact that you're one of the most respected seniors of the insti. Really hope you stay the same. Thank you for introducing me to Naruto and can you pls explain why is life walnuts? Hehe! Let's keep reading good books. All the best for the future endeavors! - Anugya

**Poorvi Hebbar :** Yo Neeraj! First year salsa night hip-hop was my first ever jamming! Thanks for introducing me to dance! Uss vakt toh poora fan ho gye the hum aapke, kya masst nachte ho yarr aap. Free style, hip-hop bolly sare jammings k liye thanks 🥳. You have been the cutest, sweetest and the most approachable senior ever. I wish we could have spent more time discussing Harry potter and seeing some of your messenger texts:P Milte rehna and aage sab cheezo k liye all the best 🥳

**Ritik Madan :** From judging each other by our JEE ranks on the very first day to never judging each other for whatever shit we do (along with judging others as well tho :P), I really hope our friendship transcends space and time. Mere toh plans hai already Singapore aake milne ke tujhse, if you do go wahan XD I'm really just writing something here so that you get a quick flashback of all the amazing times we've spent having fun, supporting each other and sulking at our fuck ups. And also the times we spent doing literally nothing but just sitting around in each other's room. Really gonna miss having you around :) \*sob sob\*





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**Sarthak Solat :** Neerjaaaa!!!! Thank you for everything 😊 The first time I saw you was when I was a gyra orgie.. What a visual treat it was to see you dance like that.. Wahhhhhh I had that bc talks with you in my freshie year..Train me we used to talk 😊 Thank you for creating that urban performance..the best performance I was a part of ever. Made many many many important decisions in my life after we had that talk.. That 5hr long talk.. Wooffff. One of the most important conversations I've had in my life. Thank you for inspiring me 🙏 I just wish to be the senior you've been to me. Please please please keep dancing ♥♥ ♥ All the best for your future!!!

**Poornima V B :** Life is a walnut - hard to crack, but, once you do, you get "Diamond Biscuits" :P :P Well, we're faulty walnuts ;) Keep dancing through the hellos and goodbyes and the messy bits :) From, (One of the) bored walnut and co. Ill miss you in campus crying for pizzas all day tho :( (Lo done :P )

**Arjav Shah :** Roots ke Damaad! <3 It has been a pleasure getting to know you - all thanks to Poornima! :) Apart from being a great dancer, you handled the lights so well - thanks for that!! Ab bharatnatyam bhi seekh lo :P Wishing you all the happiness and success in life! Hope that our paths cross sometime in the future. Cheers!

**Ayushi Panghal :** Pingu, i think you're the most adorable dancing penguin in all of the penguin world. Being your wingwoman from korea, i think my heart had swollen a bit with all the love from seeing you so happy. Ah, I wish we could do the last AIDS performance together but thank you for being so understanding and kind that I could open up to you back then. Watching you as you go on with life from a distance, I couldn't be any happier seeing you always stand up for what you believe in. Aise hi haste aur naachte rehna, bhoolna mat, theek hai? And like you've been there for me at times, you can count on me to always be there for you too. Bohot saara pyaar, pingu. <3



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**Abhijith Krishna :** Weellllllll... Since you convinced me, I start here.. One of the people who I hold in utmost respect.. So much so ki aaj bhi "tu" bolne ke pehle main sochta hoon. From a respected senior to a very close friend, I feel very happy looking back at all the memories created with you: From our unfinished Malhar, to our unfinished Phir se udd chala. From a random Karwaan trip, to quarantine Chess matches, from IIT-Roorkee CCD to Ghatkopar Dosa, you've left me with a lot of memories. And along with those memories, you've also been a big part of who I am today. And I will always remember you for that. You're a gem of a person. And I know you always will be... Malhar karna hai kya?

**Yogesh Yadav :** Yoo... Nee The rule of 100 loss (NeeRaj SoHaani) 🙄... He is the one who never drinks, no matter how much you force him.. except 🐼(lekin yahan me pighal gaya).. khud hi samajh jao😂... You are the sweetest guy in the insti 🥰(sugar daddy👉) and the most humble person I have ever met😌.. You are an idol( great dancer and caring nature, perfect combo🥰)... Neeraj matlab last din resume banane wala scene aur micron me machane wala scene(par usse PHD karni h..sish🙄🙄) 🐼

**Hetvee Marviya :** Heyy, writing for you is actually difficult to express in 700 words. The first memory I have is watching you dance in Bolly in my first year and I was like wow, kya mast expressions, kya dance and fan to tabse hi hu :p but in the last 2 years, I am really glad I got to know you better. From sharing love for those twilight desserts in Roorkee to adventurous train rides from Pune, you are one of the warmest people I know. I never thought 7 ghante itne jaldi ja sakte hai. And I really like listening to your thoughts, aap sachi mast storyteller ho! BnB pe woh 2-3 ghanta chill marna was the best thing before corona. You are one the most beautiful people I have met.Wish you all the best for ahead.

**Karunya Baskar :** You're so poetic, sweet, talented and it's so nice to talk to you. Keep in touch yaar <3



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**Ishita Shah :** I love how you always keep smiling! I wish we got an opportunity to dance together :( sadly I did not do AIDS this year. Keep in touch ♥