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**Shantanu Thada** : Broo, It's been 8 years of friendship now, from class 11th to now and I can't even believe it has been so long!!! Going through the same problems in our insti life and our conversation over it from time to time has just been the biggest source of motivation to do better. And personally, I feel I've had the most logical bakar with you in these years! And I'm lucky we were all together in H18 this year. Although the journey finished a little sooner than we anticipated, I'm grateful for all those times in the mess talking random stuff and catching up! Wishing you the all the success in your every future endeavour and kitna bhi bada aadmi ban jaye, touch me rehna BC!!!

**Mandar Sohoni** : All those bitching about life sessions, those debates with vamsi... great memories! You're going to kill it at grad school!

**Shobhna Misra** : Going to Japan together, barring you from finishing up all my food :P going to visit places together and admiring your enthusiasm was one of the highlights of the past 5 years! That trip was a lot of fun really! Interacting with you in class and arguing about the most random shit in the world was quite enjoyable. The past year has been especially hard for me, thank you very much for listening to my rants and giving me solutions to the worst of my problems! I will miss those evening walks and our rant sessions... Stay in touch, and all the best for your PhD! :D Cheers!

**Kushagra Kacholia** : I haven't had the opportunity to interact with you a lot, but I am definitely sure that behind the hardworking, sincere and dedicated personality that I have seen, is hidden a child who still cracks lame jokes and lives life to the fullest. Thank you for taking out so much of your time to take interviews with me and the little bakchodi we did while taking them even when you were super busy and literally physically hurt. All the best for the future endeavors and rock it at grad school!! :D



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**Akash Sharma :** arey sumukh jaldi aao naa yaha interview khatm karane kushagra ke saath to chalo sumukh ab treat per chalte hai jo hui nii ....I know we haven't interacted a lot but mast bande ho aap super cool rehte humesa best of luck for your future ..be in touch

**Pranav Sankhe :** Yo Sumukh! Our mess table discussions were so much fun and informative. Often they were echo-chambers :p I remember how passionate you were about your research and I am sure you will ace at it wherever you go. Best wishes with your grad school and keep up the activism!

**Swadha Sanghvi :** Yo Sumukh Bhaiya, if I may say so! It's been 10 years! A senior forever! I don't think aapke jitna frequently mujhe koi aur senior milta tha without planning. I guess the intersection was old CSE was our meeting place. The treat is due, can't escape that 😊

**Nakul D Ghatge :** 'Yo' probably the most used words within our conversations :p From living two doors next in the freshie year to a different wing for the next 3 and then to come back again living front door you sure evened it out with me xD Kinda phased out in between between but the last year once again gave us the chance to interact and I am happy for that. Thanks for helping me out during univ applications, for bringing fitness enthusiast in lazy me and lending me books, they were a great travel companion. Also, with all the hard rock/metal noises and constant chirping, I hope I didn't annoy you much in the meantime (see-no-evil monkey) Take care of yourself and ones around you, Wish you all the best<3



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**Sanket Agrawal :** Sumukh sir! Yes, I do remember the good times we had in freshie year. Whatever small amount of time it was, it was really fun. Even though we talk in weeks, it is never awkward sharing a mess table with you, rather it marks for an interesting conversation, everytime. Your sense of humor is really good. All the best for you future and stay In touch :')

**Harshal Pawar :** Yr, I'm gonna miss our wing ka mess table discussions. You made it fun, with your extreme point of views :P.and dil se thanks, you made Nanolab bearable for me.

**Nicho Priyatham :** You are surely one of the most intellectual persons I have met in insti, though your opinions are strong and judgemental they were unbiased. Most importantly your actions were unbiased. This is one of the reasons my respect for you has exponentially increased over last few months. The way you keep yourself scheduled, organised and motivated is something I will try to learn at least after graduation. Your dark punch lines are something I will remember and laugh.

**Mrigank Ashesh :** Sumukh aap bade mast aadmi ho. Regret iss baat ka hai ki final year mai yeh baat pata chali. Placement main EP ka uddhar karne main aapka bhi haath hai. It's always nice talking to you and it's very enjoyable. Will miss you the most. Stay in touch 😊

**Abhijeet Aanand :** Yo sir!! Kudos to our endless discussions. Kahi bhi shuru ho jaate the. Few people are as motivated as u when it comes to research. Poore sophie year aapki hi wing me tha ye kaafi end me realise hua tha lol. Hope Purdue treats u well. Best of luck for future sir!!



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**Parth Jatakia** : My light-sleeper roomie! We have been together on so many trips together starting from Udaipur in the first year and ending with Dharamshala in the 4th year with an international trip to Japan in the second year. It has been a true delight spending time with you and knowing all your quirks. Especially your ability to hog food equivalent to three times of normal human being. Macha dena Purdue mein and let's go on a wing trip ;p once the grad school starts.

**Anmol Gupta** : Yo Sumukh! We surely bonded a lot in first year over that injury. I must say I saw you as a beacon of hope that life could be normal after that also, it kept me going somehow. We've almost always met in the mess - both in H2 and H18, and I loved the discussions each time! I really liked your sharp reasoning and point of view over many topics; oh, and thanks for introducing me to Freakonomics :) Your work ethic is kaafi epic man. Spending half of the day in lab is no mean feat! Great that you got a good Ph.D, all the best for your future!

**Shubhankar Mihir Seth** : Sumukh sir, I've known you for just over a year now, but it's been so much fun - all that bakwaas during groundwork to coordinating a billion different things for DAMP, it just wouldn't have been the same about you. I was so glad when you decided to join the team, and you've been super reliable throughout. Your dedication to what you do is not just amazing, but inspiring. And at the same time, you are brutally honest while using your words and expressions with great comic timing - remember the time we went to have waffles? I'm so glad that confusion from that day has given way to such promising plans to grad school. Also, I'd like a mention in your Nobel acceptance speech. Thank you!

**Saipriya Satyajit** : Hi Sumukh! You are definitely one of coolest seniors I have met. Thank you for all your informal fundae sessions. You have always been there ready to help whenever I needed any advice. It is so great talking to you, and I always enjoyed the discussions you had with sagar (DD specifics) 😄. I regret not interacting with you earlier. Thanks again for being there, and I wish you all the best for everything ahead!



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**Rohan Pathak :** Sumukhji, din ka khaana khatam nhi hota aapse mess table pe mile bina haha :p Yaaar kya discipline hai, tereko hi dekhke aise enthu jaagta mere mein ki mai bhi acads ke saath apna extra currics sambhal lunga. Har shaam ko jab tu bhaagne jaata tha tab cross karte the. And in the placement semester I realized how much similar we are. Same rants rote the haha. Though tu kaafi jyada machau hai, we both know that. I hope tu bhule na mujhe and mile tab wapas se same hostel ke bewdo jaise baat karte rhe :')

**Krutika Talegaonkar :** Hey sumukh!!!It's been almost 7 years that I have known you.I still remember the questions u used to ask in the chemistry class and you playing ball in class which used to hit almost every girl in the Kanad.That time hearing your questions I used to tell everyone that yeh ladka hi hai Jo research karega aage and you proved me right!!!Everytime we meet in insti your smile is always there.Got to heard more about your stories in insti from one of your close friends.Hope we stay in touch after this also and I see u turning into a phunsukh wangadu after 10 years.Best of luck for your research!!!

**Rahul Dandwate :** Yo Sumukh!!! It's crazy how you went from Sumukh Bhaiya to Sumukh ma@\$7\$.d XD. Have known you for such a long time now. Apart from all the Bak@4..di, I really loved our deep mess time discussion on politics, science, life and everything. No matter what we used to say, you are definitely the most jugaadu person I have ever met, and your enthusiasm to do all that XD. You and Nutella are better love story than most love stories, seriously man XD. I know we are going to be friends for life now, just keep rocking man, you will do great in life!! IMP: Remember to always latch the door XD.. Also, Climate Change is REAL!!!





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**Sarthak Nijhawan :** I just wish we could've spent more time together. Corona rained on our parade to make it worse. In 1st-yr, never imagined our paths'd ever cross the way it did, ending up working so closely. Srsly, u managed it well bro. Racing back & forth b/w ur lab & hostel, to unfailingly discharging ur DCab duties on time, to making time for all those chit-chats in mess; man, can't describe how much I learnt from u. I srsly, admire your unvarnished but truthful & humorous remarks/jokes u make of all, notwithstanding the entity across the table :P. Hope we see more of each other in the time to come. I can only imagine u getting whatever you desire in ur life & I'm sure you'll. (Btw job ya Phd? :P)

**Ananay Garg :** Aapse bohot jyada baat toh nahi hui - par aapke saath trekking zaroor hui. Kaafi mazedar experience tha use choti ke upar. Aap log toh so hi gaye the. :p. Wish we could have more treks together! All the best, sumukh

**Sagar Kumar Seth :** Hello Roll baap ! Our first meeting was probably you treating me and mrigank with an icecream on Department open day. You are one of the seniors I have related to the most in Insti life. At times your guidance has been quite impactful. I have great respect for your dedication to work. You have been an inspiration. Wish you loads of luck for future endeavors !

**Anusha Dubey :** Sumukh Sir! The more I've spent time with you, the more I have started respecting you! You are the perfect model of time management and one of the best Indoris I've met in insti! Let's keep vibing on our Indore talks and ranting about people XD Will miss our Physics dept meets and fun conversations with you! Keep rocking aur Purdue jake bhool mat jana :')



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**Shubham Goyal :** Hostel ki pehli GPL teri hui thi bhaut maaaara tha and IG uske baad tune sabse ache se badla lia tha :p H@ drifted us apart but 18 brought us together again, bhai itna enthu roz bhaagne ka kaise lata tha :p tere salsa scenes bhi kaafi lit the :p and all our waving hands jo roz ka ritual tha , n i know tu machaega hi :D

**Nirbhay Wadiwala :** SUMUKH never thought mentors came in your shape and form .. I still remember how you wouldn't come talk to me cause me and Neel ek do ghante nikal dete the batiyane main ... Bhai but you're dam cool , when I applied to be a DAMP mentor it was cause I had such a cool mentor.. bhai tere gaal ka macchar mujhe abhi bhi dikhta hain.. Stay in touch

**Anmol Kagrecha :** Sumukh, I am not aware of a person who eats like you and exercises like you! If not for your broken leg, you would've been sporting 6 packs. Irrespective of whether our opinions match or not, it is fun to talk to you. I adore your patience and hard work! I can't imagine myself doing extensive placement prep and apping for PhD. Have fun at Purdue! Also, I'll gift you Nutella jar(s) when you visit Stanford :P

**Arush Gupta :** Sumukh man, Thanks so much for being the most sensible and humble senior I've come across in the insti. I am so sorry that I was not able to give you the Starbucks treat I'd promised, but I will definitely give you one whenever we meet next (I'm positively sure that we will); tab tak, I would love to continue our conversations about physics, research, philosophy, and whatever other stuff that comes to the minds (except for Manga and anime; try kiya maine (bohot) ; nahi ho paaya...sorry xD) Purdue mei physics aur maze (tautology to a certain extent xD :D) kijiye! :D



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**Neeraj Sohani :** Kaafi longtime indeed! Didn't think before going to that pre-college wannabe C class that I'll meet people who'll be with me 5 years later. Finding out our fathers were batchies too was a sweet surprise. I know you work really hard and I hope you become a great physicist <3. Will surely stay in touch. Stay happy, stay blessed ^\_^