FROM THE MAKER'S DESK

In the light of the inauguration of 'UTKARSH', the project head under which a bunch of enthusiastic students undertook this mission of developing an app, we are more in a emotional silence than an exhilarating jubilation. The journey of over ten months has been so enriching and exhausting at the same time that a breath of sigh accounts for relief as well as a joy of utmost satisfaction. Standing at the doorway to another academic year, as we complete this tiring and dynamic project, we felt it necessary to enumerate our experiences and also deliver our gratitude to everybody who have helped us in whatever ways they could. In our endeavour to assemble all the paper-bound documents scattered across the length and breadth of a professional MBBS career, we faced a lot of difficulties, esp. owing to the vastness of the field we dealt with. Que9 is the final result of the hard-work and long cherished dream of ours to have a platform like this that will stand capable to fend to the academic requirements of the students at their finger tips.

SCB's DEEP INTEREST IN ACADEMICS

The students of SCB have always shown a keen interest in all academic activities like paper presentations, CMEs, workshops etc. The eagerness and enthusiasm of the students have been the major driving force behind the arduous labour that has been put to make this app. We sincerely hope this app delivers ample academic assistance to one and all whenever needed.

HOW IT BEGAN?

The project was started under the student's flagship 'UTKARSH', meaning – that which flourishes. The idea was conceived around March 2018. Since then, a lot of work has been done to gather content, plan, organise and represent the gathered data in a proper way and prepare a basic blue print of the app. It was indeed an extensive project, first of its kind in our institution, that took about 10 months from the date of its conception to idealising the vision into reality.

CONTENTS OF THE APP

The app contains primarily of the study section and various student's activities.

The study section contains;

- 1. All the necessary information for the professional MBBS examinations like previous year question papers (PYQs).
- 2. All the necessary stuffs for practical examinations like picture of all histologic and pathologic slides, all the assosciated questions asked in the practical examinations, questions from parts like embryology, radiology, OSPE, etc.
- 3. A complete set of all the practical records with experiments up to date.

- 4. Chapter wise MCQs from the most basic level for deeper understanding of the subject, along with the answers.
- 5. Mock tests.
- P.S.- Due to time strain, we have only included info till the second professional exams.

OTHER FACILITIES OF THE APP

- 1. 'About SCB' Segment
- 2. 'Information bulletin'
- 3. 'Doctor's Info'
- 4. 'SCB maps' for easy navigation through SCB
- 5. 'Paper Presentations' (both clinical and non clinical)
- 6. 'Quiz'
- 7. 'Mnemonics'
- 8. 'Web journal' etc.

PURPOSE OF THE APP

- 1. The content that was previously scattered and required a lot of effort to search through is now available at a single place.
- 2. All the files are very easy to access and errors (if any) are easy to modify.
- 3. The language used is very simple for the understanding of the mass.
- 4. Important points, FAQs and viva questions are included and underlined/highlighted.
- 5. It is seen that students spend most of their time on mobile phones. With this app, the mobile phones can be used in a more constructive way.
- 6. Students can study anytime anywhere, on the go (while travelling) or when not near their books
- 7. You can easily make notes from the app when a particular book is not available with you.
- 8. You can also appear mock tests in stipulated time intervals, where the score card will be displayed.

SPONSORS, DEVELOPERS AND THE MAKERS

It's a matter of great delight to narrate the success story of 'UTKARSH' and this project as we pack our papers into digital softcopy in our phones. But this easy-to-access app wouldn't have seen the daylight of our hopes if it hadn't been for the extraordinary pro-academic and dynamic nerves of a few of our elder medico brothers. Even a heart-felt gratitude to those few seniors would be an injustice in return of the amount of contribution that they have rendered to us. Above all, the trust that they had on us all this time and the constant support that we received from them can't be repaid in the best of words or ways.

THE SPONSORS:

Having said this, we take the highest authority of ownership, claiming and conferring the financial credits behind development of this app completely over the STUDENT'S UNION
2017-18. As said earlier, SCB is a very pro-academic institution, the idea of developing this model was never seen with inferior eyes, despite the difficulty for medicos to head a technical project that summed upto its own unique hugeness as this. The inspiration was nevertheless, the first stone that kicked off our enthusiasm. And it was none other than the Academic Secretary, Mr. Sanmay Panda, who didn't ignore the vast expanse of possibilities that a project like this might unfold in future times, if it's maintained well. This project was given an inaugural and a definitive headstart by the-then President, Mr. Kamalakshya Samal, and was further encouraged by the General Secretary, Mr. Udit Narayan Sahoo and the Treasurer, Mr. Dibyagyana Nayak. The technical aspects were dealt with by a very tech-enthusiast medico, the AVS Secretary, Mr. K Sai Rama Ranjan. Apart from the few names that stand out, we will also take the opportunity to thank the entire STUDENTS' UNION 2017-18 for their extensive support in this project.

THE DEVELOPERS:

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THIS APP IS CREATED WITH A PURE INTENT OF HELPING EVERY STUDENT WITH THEIR ACADEMICS. WE HOPE THAT OUR LABOUR COMES TO FRUITION WITH THE WISHES AND BLESSINGS OF ONE AND ALL USING THIS.

THANK YOU.