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TIE-ASPIRE YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARD

Since 2009, The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE) and Aspire recognize and award three young achievers in the field of sports, art and culture who demonstrate extra-ordinary conviction and awe-inspiring accomplishments in their lives. Our young achievers are all under 30 and trail-blazers in their fields. The awards are conferred on these young and talented individuals to inspire the young generation to face challenges, overcome obstacles and push themselves beyond the limit to succeed.





At TiEcon, you will not only learn about how successful entrepreneurs get over challenging times, but in a special session, with Young Achievers, you will hear about how some world- famous youngsters got over challenges in their domains: science, sports and arts. TiE- ASPIRE Young Achievers forum will present three great success stories in a 45-minutes conversation with Tania Sachdev, Athira and Tathagat Avatar. Their mantra of focus, determination and playing to one's strengths appears like straight out of Entrepreneurs Handbook 1.0. Meet these three gifted National Heroes at 6:30 p.m. at Taj Palace Hotel on Friday, 18th September, 2009.



Tania Sachdev, New Delhi

Tania Sachdev, Chess Grandmaster: Born in August 1986, she is the eighth Indian Woman Grandmaster joining a list dominated by South Indian players. Tania is third in the national and sixty fifth in the international ranking in Chess. She won her first international title at the age of eight and later went on to win the World and Asian Junior titles This year she received Arjun Award for her outstanding performance in Chess. Recently she topped the Asian Chess Championship. Tania was lucky to receive her parent's support in developing her game through professional training and now her task is to better her ranking.



Athira Krishna, Kerala

Athira Krishna, Prodigy Violinist: Born in July 1987, Athira is an internationally acclaimed violin prodigy from India. She has an enviable musical lineage as the granddaughter of the illustrious Vidwan Shri Gopala Pillai, fabulous musician of yesteryears who belonged to the renowned Tanjore tradition of Carnatic Music. Athira is the proud recipient of many coveted recognitions including the prestigious Guinness World Record for her unique 32 hour long Non-Stop Carnatic Violin Solo Concert. She has won the National Award for excellence in Music 2007, Infosys - Education world young achiever, Limca National Record and "The musical gem of India" She is among the youngest Cultural Ambassadors of India taking the rich Indian classical music tradition to the nooks and corners of the world through her violin solo concerts.



Tathagat Avatar, Patna

Tathagat Avatar, Prodigy Academician: Born in September 1987, in Patna, he is a scientist but is most well known as a child prodigy and holder of a Guinness World Record. He completed high school at the age of nine, earned a B.Sc. at the age of ten and a M.Sc. at the age of twelve. He has the special distinction of being one of the world's youngest scientists. At the age of 17, he wrote a research paper that brought him an invitation by Bell Labs of the United States to do a collaborative work with Lov Grover, inventor of a quantum search algorithm. At the age of 21, he become the youngest PhD holder in India, who wrote a 33 -page thesis, which is probably the shortest PhD in India.

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In a special session with young achievers at TiE Entrepreneurial Summit 2010, you will hear how these youngsters got over challenges in their domain to become winners. TiE-Aspire Young achievers forum brings three great success stories in a 60-minute conversation with Prashant Karmakar, Ashish Kumar and Deepika Kumari, and honour these achievers for their recent success. Don't miss the opportunity to meet these gifted young spor ts personalities at Siri Fort Auditorium, New Delhi on Thursday, 23 December 2010, 12pm.



Prashant Karmakar

Prashant Karmakar, Swimmer: Born in 1981, Prashant created history by becoming the first Indian para-swimmer to win a medal when he claimed bronze in the 50m free style event at CWG 2010. Since 2001, he has been India's leading para swimmer, winning gold medals at every National meet. Having lost his right arm in an accident when he was 7, Karmakar took to swimming at 16. He has won 29 International medals for India, including a bronze at the International German Swimming Championship for the Disabled in June and qualified for the 2010 International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Swimming World Championships in Eindhoven, The Netherlands. Prashant is currently ranked Asia no. 3 in four different events - 50m Freestyle, 100m Freestyle, 100m Backstroke and 200m Individual Medley. He continued this splendid form in the recent International German Open Swimming Championships with a Bronze medal in 50m Backstroke event.



Ashish Kumar

Ashish Kumar, Gymnast: Born in 1990, Ashish made his first foray into the Country's Gymnastics medals podium by winning 1 silver and 1 bronze medal in Gymnastics at CWG 2010, New Delhi and 1 bronze at the recent Asiad, a sport where India had never won. He has won 20 International medals to date. Ashish is proud of the fact that he achieved a hat trick by winning All Round Individual Championship in the 48th, 49th, and 50th Senior National Gymnastics Championship at Trivandrum (Kerala), Warangal (A.P.) and Erode (Tamil Nadu) in 2008, 2009 and 2010. Ashish works as a Junior Clerk in the Railways.



Deepika Kumari

Deepika Kumari, Archer: Born in 1994, Deepika won a gold medal in the 2010 Commonwealth Games, New Delhi in the Women's Individual Recurve Event. She also won gold medal in the same competition in the Women's team Recurve Event along with Dola Banerjee and Bombayala Devi. She won the 11th Youth World Archer y Championship held in Ogden, USA in 2009, at an age of 15. Deepika became the second Indian to win the title after Palton Hansda, who won the World champion at Mérida (Mexico) in 2006 by winning the Junior Compound Individual gold medal. She has recently also won an Outstanding Performance (Female) award at CWG from Sahara Sports.

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TiE-Aspire brings you face-to-face with young trailblazers in Adventure Sports who have put in a lifetime's effort to achieve their goal in life-endangering conditions. In a special session with young achievers at TiE Entrepreneurial Summit 2011, you will hear how these youngsters got over challenges in their domain to become winners. In its third year, TiE-Aspire Young Achiever Awards brings three great success stories (Anu Vaidyanathan, Deeya S. Bajaj and Sucheta Kadethankar) in a 45-minute conversation with Amit Bhatia, Founder and CEO of Aspire to honour their recent successes. Don't miss the opportunity to meet these gifted young adventure sports personalities and National Hero's at Taj Palace, New Delhi on Friday, 30 September 2011, 5.45pm



Anu Vaidyanathan, Bengaluru

Anu Vaidyanathan, Triathlete: Triathlon is an arduous sport involving swimming, cycling and running. Ironman and Ultraman are most challanging formats of Triathlon. In 2009, Anu Vaidyanathan finished the Ultraman (10K swim, 430K bike, 84.4K run) in Canada, was placed 6th and was the youngest finisher. Only 450 people in the world have finished an Ultraman. She backed this up with Ironman Canada in the same location, just three weeks later, becoming the only athlete to do so in the history of the race. Anu Vaidyanathan is the only Indian triathlete to have trained for, participated and consistently finished at the top of her age-group in long-distance triathlon events around the world. All of Anu's achievements are solely due to her tenacity, single-minded dedication and a never-say-die attitude.



Deeya S. Bajaj, Gurgaon

Deeya S. Bajaj, Cross Country Skier and Kayaker: is a Class XII student of The Shri Ram School, Gurgaon. She is the youngest to have undertaken the Trans Greenland Skiing Expedition in May 2011, running West to East across the Greenlandic ice cap. The Trans Greenland Ski Expedition is one of the expeditions in the Polar Trilogy, which also includes skiing to the North Pole and the South Pole. Deeya is a certified junior scuba diver and a keen white-water kayaker, she has kayaked sections of the Ganga river. She was youngest member of a team of five, which participated in an Indo-American kayaking expedition along the west coast of Greenland, the first time an Indian team has gone on a sea kayaking expedition in the sub-zero waters of the Arctic Ocean.



Sucheta Kadethankar, Pune

Sucheta Kadethankar, Trekker: is a pioneer among a group of 13 trekkers from 9 countries being the first and the only Indian to walk across the 1,626 kilometers of Gobi desert in Mongolia. Sucheta has done the Everest Base Camp and Annapurna Base Camp among other treks in the Himalayas and is a winner of the India Adventure Race Enduro 3- that involved 180 kms cycling, 80 kms trekking and river crossing. She is noted as one of the Young Achievers by India Today this year. Ripley Davenport, Director, World Explorers' Bureau, Denmark, also the leader of the expedition says 'Her ability to push herself beyond the limit is remarkable'.

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Utsav I al

Utsav Lal, is a 20 year old Prodigy Pianist, with an impressive career spanning a decade. Utsav has successfully created the pure sounds of Indian Ragas on the Piano, won international acclaim for his pioneering foray and earned the unique distinction of being titled "Raga Pianist". Utsav is proficient in three diverse genres of Western Classical, Indian Classical & Jazz. Lal had an early start at the age of 9 with no musical lineage or backing. He has three solo albums and many laurels under his belt, including recognition as Young Steinway Artist, ABRSM scholar, Limca Book of Records & MAMA Award for promotion of multiculturalism. Lal has been a cultural ambassador with over 150 solo concerts. He has been lauded for his workshops titled "Breaking Boundaries" and collaborative musical projects.



Kishan Shrikanth

Kishan Shrikanth is a 16 year old Actor, Film Director, Editor, Sound and Visual Effects Engineer. Kishan Shrikanth was recognized as one of the Top 15 genius children on Oprah Winfrey show and top Six Asian Genius children by Singapore Media Corp. He holds the Guinness World Record for being the World's Youngest Feature Film Director, at the age of 9 which also won him the National Golden Lotus Award, National Award for Exceptional Achievement, and 11 prestigious International awards. He has acted in 28 films and in more than 300 episodes of popular soap operas. He has also directed five commercial advertisements and document films, edited three films and created computer visual effects for three feature films. He is pursuing his Masters in multimedia and animation and doing Research in the field of Holography and Optical illusion.



Arunima Sinha

Arunima Sinha is a 26 year old National Level Football and Volleyball player, Mountaineer and Trekker. She lost her left lower leg in a tragic accident at 23, when she was thrown off a running train in Bareilly, for resisting a chain-snatching attempt. But this did not deter her. She trained under Bachendri Pal chief of Tata Steel Adventure Foundation (TSAF) for months and on 3 September 2012, Sinha climbed 21,110 feet of Mt. Chhamser Kangri with three other teammates. Her passion and undying will has become a source of inspiration for all people with disabilities. Arunima has also been fighting for the rights of disabled people and is starting an academy to support that cause.





Since 2009, TiE and Aspire bring you face-to-face with three young achievers in the field of academics ,sports, art, music and culture who are the embodiment of extra-ordinary determination and courage and their achievements are truly inspiring. In a special session at TiEcon 2013, you will hear inspiring stories about their challenges, enterprising hard work and success. Please join us to honor the 2013 TiE-Aspire Young Achievers and hear their candid tête-à-tête with Amit Bhatia, Founder and Chairman of Aspire. As Lord Karan Billimoria, chairman of the UK-India Business Council and Cobra Beer said last year "I was told that this was the best part of TiE Con ... they were underselling it!" Our 2013 winners are three great national heroes:



Abhilash Tomy

Abhilash Tomy: Lieutenant Commander Abhilash, aged 34 of Indian Navy, circumnavigated the globe (solo, non-stop and unassisted) in 151 days. Abhilash is the 1st Indian, 2nd Asian and 79th person in the world to carry out such a mission while sailing south of the three great capes. The rarity of the achievement is such that almost ten times the number of people have gone to space and 100 times more have climbed the Everest. Abhilash waited for 11 years for this opportunity on the 56-feet boat, Mhadei, with 70 foot high sails. Abhilash was mentored by Cdr Dilip Donde and is also Winner of Kirti Chakra (National Gallantry Award) and Tenzing Norgay Adventure Award.



Rani Rampal

Rani Rampal: Rani, aged 19, is member of India's National Women Hockey Team and was Vice Captain of Indian Junior Women's Hockey Team at 7th FIH Junior World Cup 2013, winning the Bronze medal. She hails from a humble background in Shahbad, Kurukshetra where her father is a cart-puller. She was adjudged the Player of the Tournament four times in various International Tournaments. Rani is the only Indian to receive FIH "Best Young Player of the Tournament" at the Women's Hockey World Cup 2010. Rani was the member of Asian All Stars Team and FIH All Stars Team, both in 2010. She trains at the Shahbad Hockey Academy under Dronacharya Award winner Baldev Singh.



Girisha Hosanagara Nagarajegowda

Girisha Hosanagara Nagarajegowda: Girish, aged 25, is a paralympic high jumper who jumped a height of 1.74m in the final of the 2012 London Summer Paralympics Men's High Jump, to finish in the silver medal position. He became the first Indian to win a medal at that event. Girish is supported by "Karnataka Sports Association for Physically Handicapped", Bangalore and the Government of India. He is only the ninth medalist of India at Paralympics & only the third to claim silver at the Paralympics. He was awarded with "Rajyotsava Award" by the Government of Karnataka in 2012 and "Padma Shri" by the Government of India in 2013.

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About The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE)

The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE) founded, in 1992 in Silicon Valley, by a group of successful entrepreneurs, corporate executives, and senior professionals with roots in the Indus region currently has over 13,000 members and over 2,500 charter members in 61 chapters across 15 countries. TiE's mission is to foster entrepreneurship globally through mentoring, networking, and education. Dedicated to the virtuous cycle of wealth creation and giving back to the community, TiE's focus is on generating and nurturing the next generation of entrepreneurs.

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Please answer questions briefly. You may however, attach additional sheets if required.

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DATE OF BIRTH (DD/MM/YYYY):			
	Under 30 year of age as on Award Date (30th September) *There may be an exception in rare cases as decided by the Jury		
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Provide a brief description of the nature and extent of your achievement/s.			
Clearly define the factors that make your achievement/s unique.			





Educational qualifications / academic record			
List any awards / certificates / accolades won by your above achievement/s.			
Remember: This is a national level search!			
Please avoid listing achievements at class, school and college levels.			
Provide relevant documentation of	☐ DATE OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES (college / School Records)		
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How did you overcome these?			
Other information you would like to share about your achievement/s			
Do you have any other achievements you would like to mention?			





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