

BY SURAJ SRINIVASAN & ALL THE BATCH REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTED CLASS NOTES

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1971

In October 2001 the batch of 1971 entry celebrated



the Silver Jubilee of our Batch graduation. We had enjoyable three days together at the new Birla Guest House (opposite Swimming pool) The arrangements were excellent and all had good time

The first day was the day of introductions with people arriving till late afternoon. We had the round of introduction in the evening which went on for many hours and then had tea snacks. Later there was a dinner arranged for which no one was hungry as in between all of us went to Connaught and had our usual round of tea. It is quite changed from our days of the seventies. The second day morning we went for a round of the temple and got to offer the prayers. It was voluntary of course.

Later we all went to Birla Museum and had some photographs. After that a visit to Senate room and a meeting where a meeting with Director was arranged. He was not available

unfortunately and we met the Deputy Director. We had some issues discussed and hot issue was on admission procedures. There were also some discussions on future Batch

gatherings and participations. We then had a lunch at our usual hostels and were served a little different delicious food. Some old faces in waiters could be seen. Not much change in hostels and messes. In the evening there was a cultural program well compeered by Kalyan Swarup. He really made the environment charged and we had some of our old pals singing nice songs. Even the new BITS team sang some good old songs. Dinner followed and then next day was time to depart.

Every one enjoyed the two nights three day stay and whoseover could not make it did miss a good time and chance of interacting with old friends. We wish to make it a more frequent with rotating host cities. Hope we can also do it now on our golden jubilee (2026) Hope many of us are around and can join it.

Ravi Jain I was a member of 1971 batch joining in BSc first and then moving to engineering based on merit. Only in 4th year I was allotted the Electronics branch and managed to pass out with Silver Medal after 5 years. Many of our batch mates remembered me as "Mota" or "Kota Jn". I was not so fat at that time but I did come from Kota, a place in Rajasthan. At present I work at Mahindra British Telecom, Pune as Vice President (R&D). My contact details re: Tel: O - +91 20 4018287 R - +91 20 5885201 M - +91 98230 67181

We have two children: son Beeneet pursuing Triple Degree Bachelors (2)/Master (1) degree from Wharton Business School/SEAS of University of Pennsylvania - class of 2004 and daughter Nivea pursuing Bachelor in Business - class of 2006.

1978

See Reunion Photo!

Solomon Raj says: Our batch was the first to experience "Assigned admission" and was the last to come out with a five-year degree. Apparently, we set new records for grades in Complex Variables! Find most of us at - excluding egroup for 78 batch junta. Friends call me Solo. Did Chemical Engineering while at BITS. Worked as a Research Associate with CDS Trivandrum, and then at NCAER New Delhi. Later worked as Systems Analyst at ICRIER, New Delhi. Did Ph D in Business from Florida International Univ, Miami. Currently am a faculty at Texas Tech University, Lubbock. Married to Chitra since 1990. We have a 1 year old daughter Chellam. Contact :

1972

Navneet Kothari lives in with my wife, Beena Kothari in Dix Hills, Long Island, New York since 1990 after having served RSEB for more than 12 years. Navneet is currently CTO for Telephonics Corp. among the Top 10 companies on Long Island, New York. Beena is working with IBM as a



Consultant for JPMorganChase.

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1987

Buvana Dayanandan (second semite, MMS) and **Karthik Kannan (ET)** live in the California bay area. They have a daughter called Anamika (June '00), and a son Rohan (Dec, '02). After BITS, Buvana got an MBA, and Karthik an MS in Industrial Engineering, from Louisiana Tech. They spent a few years on the East coast working for various companies. Karthik is currently working for Network Appliance.

Buvana is taking a break from her Cisco due to the recent arrival! **Sanjay Anand** (Alpha) married his girlfriend Jennifer in Delhi **Mani** blessed with the birth of his third daughter was promoted to Senior Vice President at Lehman Brothers

Venu Palaparthi was promoted to Vice President and Head of Risk Management at Instinet

Vidur Luthra was promoted to Director at Microsoft and took additional responsibilities of the Desktop operations for Russia and Brazil in addition to India and China

Uday Sareen visited the United States recently to receive a global award for his retail bank's performance this year.

Anupendra Sharma bought a house in the Princeton Area and moved out to New Jersey

1988

Ganesh Sankaran (JB) – After graduation, spent half a decade in steel plants automation before moving on to Wipro. Currently doing program management for Optical Networking companies and working with Ciena in San Jose. Got married to Sumati in 97 and has a 3 year old son Shashank. Nobody quite knows how the name JB came up but it is said that it referred to a

particular item on the Mess/Sarvi menu.

Simu K.Thomas - I certainly enjoyed the glory days a little longer since I went back to BITS for my Masters and then worked in a Pharma company in Bangalore for a year. Moved to Ohio long enough to get my MS



from University of Toledo and then it was off to Baltimore for a PhD. in Pharmaceutical Economics from University of Maryland. These days I'm with Novartis Pharmaceuticals, New Jersey, taking care of health economics research for Neuroscience and Transplantation products. Married Rebecca in Dec 2002, she currently works for Aventis Pharmaceuticals. Nope we dont discuss drugs!

Kumar Thiagarajan (Bug/Andy) - He was among the quieter lot on campus except when he was in the QT or the Gym lawns playing cricket. After graduating from BITS, he did his Masters from New Jersey and since then has been living in the Northern Virginia area. Besides focusing his energies on the USTA tennis league, Bug is also popular in the area for conducting and organising a number of activities among BITSians. He resides in South Riding, VA with his wife Lakshmi.

Rajesh Ramadoss (Kannadi) - Rajesh was a regular fixture on the Bank Canteen circuit in BITS and was also briefly coerced into student politics before wisely keeping away from it. After graduation, he completed his Masters from Rutgers and is now employed by Agere in Allentown, PA. Besides competing (and finishing!!) in marathons here in New York, Boston etc, he has also been setting the NJ cricket league on fire with his batting and captaincy. His other interests

include Moby, Steinbeck and brewing his own beer!!

Srinivasan Vedantham (Pettai) - The name was coined on campus during Pettai's first year (some say because of his attire!!) and it has stuck since then. Pettai completed his PhD from UMass, MA and is now an Asst. Prof (Research) at Emory University in Atlanta. Like most BITSians, Pettai competes in the Atlanta cricket league besides checking out every desi restaurant in the city. Srinivasan lives in Atlanta with his wife Manjula.

Shivshankar (Shivri) - Shivri is still the same garrulous guy he was on campus. After graduation, he finished his PhD from Lowell and is now employed by 3M in St. Paul, Minnesota. Shivri who was active in student politics on campus claims he doesn't really miss it now though that's quite doubtful!! Shivri resides in Minnesota with his wife Prithi.

Srinivas Meenakshisundaram (MSrini) - He was the "wired" guy in the wing who could solve CT problems in three different ways while we all struggled to find one solution!! He was also the "gazer of the stars" for being actively involved in the astronomy club on campus. He completed his Masters from UMass, Amherst and is now employed by Agilent at Santa Rosa, CA. He is now a semi-professional photographer and regularly contributes to National Geographic. He and his wife Vidya have just been blessed with a son Lakshman.

Rajesh Ananthasubramaniam (Rantha) - Initially he was a terror to the freshers and they would look for places to hide when he was around. But later, as other interests caught up with him, he really mellowed and let it be. He was also in BackStage working on several plays and projects. After graduating from BITS with an MMS, he has moved through several companies and is now in the Bay area working for IndiaPlaza, a Satyam company, as the head. He is married and has a daughter.

Anuhasan Chhillar (Anu) - Having a famous lineage didn't deter Anu from rolling up her sleeves and toiling for various productions in BackStage besides dabbling in music, art and the students' union. After graduating,

while on a stint with Thermax in Pune, she met and married Capt. Vikas Chhillar. Currently, she manages her highly successful financial company based in Calcutta besides acting in several movies, tele-serials and working behind the camera as well in production.

Ranjeet Singh Malhotra (RSM, Rasam, Surdie) - In theory a civil engineer, but tronix got his juices flowing. BITS got a special MS Electronic Sciences degree going for him enabling him to augment his love for chips while he got Mu-P and the Robotics lab on track. Dabbled in making the tea industry in Assam techno-savvy, but ditched all that entrepreneurial jazz for a hi-tech job at Trintech Technologies, Dublin, Ireland embedding amongst other things, solutions for point of sale systems. Presently single and giving the Irish a taste of his guzzling techniques as he downs his fav Guinness and Jameson while chasing pretty young things at most of the pubs in downtown Dublin.

Amit Jain (AJ now) is the serial entrepreneur of the group and the BPO guru. Having founded and quit Bridgade, he only recently started Vision Healthsource and sold it for gazillions to Perot Systems. He lives in Chicago and commutes back and forth to India.

Last we heard **Malini** married her BITSIAN sweetheart, **Sharat Dhall ('87)** and has not been heard since.

Vivek Misra (Misra) - After BITS, Misra did an M.S. in Comp. Sci. at Univ. of Southern California, Los Angeles where he had a great time amidst shootouts, muggings and helicopter searches in south-central L.A. Worked for Citibank in L.A. and then moved to a startup in the San Francisco-Bay-area and rode out the internet economy wave. Still in sunny, stressed-out bay-area with Adobe, having an occasional good time with old BITSian buddies while reminiscing about the good times and riding his red barchetta—well at least he thinks so. Currently single, but not ready to mingle! Ask him why...

Ashvin Subrahmanyam (Ash) - An MBA from the University of

Illinois at Chicago (94) however returned to the motherland to start work with Britannia, moved to Mattel Toys India in 2000. Ash then moved to Danone to join their business in China as Marketing Manager for a portfolio in their biscuits division based in Shanghai riding out the SARS wave by planning a holiday in India. Married in Sept. 2000 to Tenzin Dolkar Aukatsang who is a graduate of LSR and NIFT. Currently waiting in wings for their first kid. Congrats!

Priya Gopalen (Gopes) - This basketball champ from BITS, moved to Manila to do her MBA where she got much more than a degree. Came back with husband in tow (Ram) and stuck a nose up to the capitalist corporate world whilst starting to work in the NGO sector for the uplifting the downtrodden in India. We bow to thee O noble lady! Recently blessed with a kid, both hubby and Priya are currently making plans to move back to a student life in the US. Priya will shortly be at Columbia while Ram at MIT. All the best guys.

Rajesh Chelapurath (C) - After BITS, in 1993, went to work for Larsen & Toubro Ltd. in Bombay at their Medical Equipment Division. Then, in 1996, went to Tulane University, New Orleans for an M.B.A. in Finance amid all that Jazz, Mardi gras, etc. Released from studies in 1998 and went to work for Burnham Securities, Inc. in Houston, USA as an Investment Associate into portfolio management. Now he is an Associate Managing Director (a.k.a. yuppie with a BMW). Got married in March 2001 to Deepa Poduval - also a BITSian (99). Current status - DINK. Spends time with Shyam & Basu living close by.

Pradeep Mirchandani (Mirchi) - In his youth, i.e. when at BITS, Mirchi used to be a barber's delight (on the rare occasions when he visited one). His flowing

beard was a pleasure to behold, when you didn't trip on it. And his erudition was a delight to listen to and read (he edited the Sandpaper), when you could understand him. But strange are the ways of fate - while he could hold forth on everything from Shakespeare's tomes to Scotland's brews (especially the latter), he was completely befuddled by two areas of human achievement, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. Alas, those were his very two chosen degrees at BITS. This queer anomaly played out its course over five mixed years - long periods of carefree abandon interspersed with the harrowing times of quizzes and exams. Anyway the Mirchi that emerged from BITS, naturally, had a morbid dread of formal education; but being a sucker for punishment, he went on to do an MBA in Mumbai and is now inching towards the completion of his CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst). He is today an equity research professional in an investment bank in Mumbai and his home by the sea is always open to any passing BITSian. Old Man by the Sea, they call him.

Arvind Babu (Pazham) - When we christened Arvind Babu, Pazham (Fruit) after the Gnana-Pazham (Fruit of Wisdom) of South Indian Hindu mythology, little did we realise how apt the name would be in the years to come. After several years in the IT field outside India, he has metamorphosed into a philosopher and has chosen to live the Thinker's life in Chennai. While it is heartening to see one of our own strike out on the road less traveled, one can't but wish that he would be less reclusive in his philosophical pursuits and share with us his experiences and discoveries.

A. Arumugam (Aru) - After plodding through five years at BITS and two years at B-school in IIM Ahmedabad, Aru joined AIG. He recently left to join the \$100 million StanChart / Merilion Fund. He is still on the lookout for his dream girl. On the flip side, knowing full well Mirchi's generosity, he never misses an opportunity to take full advantage of it.

Vivek C. Philip (Philpot, Philip) - Was mostly found in

the music room at the end of the auditorium pounding away at the skins. Philip followed his heart and pursued Sound Engineering at Film & TV Institute of India (FTII), Pune. Is currently at Mumbai, working in the music industry as a composer/arranger for ad-films, albums, film and television. Married with no kids and his hobbies include Chemical Engg!!! Hooks up with the boys in Mumbai whenever he raises his head out of the studio and his wife is out of town - hmmm.

Baradwaj Rangan (Baddy) - Quit Chemical Engg., which is what he did in BITS, to work as copywriter with J Walter Thompson, Chennai. An advertising scholarship to Marquette University, Milwaukee, led to his American stay, which then saw - for reasons too complicated to explain briefly - his becoming a software programmer, ending up with Motorola in Schaumburg. After some seven-odd years out there, he's now back in India, back to writing. You can find his movie reviews on SitaGita.com as well as select newspapers in Chennai.

Vara Ramakrishnan - Is married to Dinesh Ramanathan (Danda, 87B4A7) and lives in San Jose, California. They have a daughter, Anjali, born in November 2002. After BITS, Vara earned a Ph.D. in Computer Science from the University of California, Irvine. She works at PMC-Sierra, a networking semiconductor company.

Nikhil Adnani (Nikki) - Left BITS after 2 and half years and moved to Canada. Worked a number of odd jobs including a brief stint on a dairy farm (Moo! - source for his inspirations) before graduating with an MSC in Electrical Engineering from the University of Manitoba. Currently a research engineer and an independent (professional) animator/filmmaker (check out www.groovechamber.com for his flash films). Lives in Ottawa, Canada with wife Alison, son Nanik, two dogs and a big cat named Otis.

Gurmeet Singh Sran (Nuclear Surd!) - After a bout with his knee, he is currently at GE Capital International Services. Maybe he should be called a knee jerk surd J. Gurmeet is a Six Sigma Black Belt handling

'quality' projects in Gurgaon. Married to Rupinder and has a wonderful daughter named Jasleen.

Diwakar Pingle - After BITS started with software, completed my MBA in finance at Symbiosis Pune where I met my wife Aparajita. Spent 4 years at ABB Project Finance, 2 years as an Investment banker at NM Rothschild, was jobless for a while and had a short stint with Standard Chartered. Currently work with a trading firm Tionale Enterprises Pte Limited headquartered out of Singapore (but am based in Chennai). Currently developing projects in the SE Asian region. Harsh Pingle is the junior and is three years old.

Jyotsna (Comp.Sci) completed her MS in Computer Science from the University of Delaware. She currently works for Oracle Corporation and lives in the bay area, CA.

Sandeep Dhar (Sandy - Comp.Sci.) currently works for Cisco Systems. He is happily married and lives in San Jose, CA.

Dilip Varadarajan (Eco) went to graduate school in Oregon. He is currently working for Portera Systems. He got married recently, and lives in Berkeley, CA.

NT Vikram (NTV - Chem/B.Pharm) is working with Medfusion as a Project Leader. He is married and lives in North Carolina.

1992

Anupam Gupta moved to London with Microsoft, where he has been for five years and was promoted to Director.

Ashok Bhakkad (Bhakkad) has been working as an Oracle/DB2 DBA with i2 Technologies in Dallas for the last 3 years. He is married to Archana and is settled in Irving, TX.

After completing his Information Systems degree in BITS, **Jagadeesh Sunkara (alias Jaggu)** moved on to the land of opportunities and is now in Denver, Colorado working for Baan as a Software Engineer. He can be contacted at home no: 303-256-9143

Mohan Atreya (Fartreya) did his Masters in National University, Singapore followed by another Masters in Communications at Nanyang Technical University. He is currently working for RSA Security in Singapore as a Manager for their Systems Engineering, Developer Solutions group.

Ramesh Yadav, who did his General Studies in BITS, went on to do his M.E in Software Systems and then joined Mascot Systems. He is now currently in Kansas and can be contacted on his cell at 913-744-1998.

Ramkumar Natarajan (nrk, kozhai, ramku) joined the PhD program in Computer Science at Purdue University after working with IBM for 3 years. He is still the ambitious person we used to know and can captivate any crowd with his baritone voice and energy. His interest in the field of distributed computing is matched only by his interest in the quest for his better half!!!!

Mansoor Ali Khan (Mak) moved on to Hughes Software Systems for his PS-II and took up a fulltime position in their HR group (of course not software!). He has now taken up a marketing/sales position in their San Jose office & has recently been quoted to be closing million dollar deals. He likes taking trips with his wife (Tayba Sultana) and having fun with friends.

After graduating from BITS, **Ravikumar (Hoku – Honorable Kumar?..)** worked as a Software Engineer in Mascot Systems, India & PwC, Washington, DC. He is now working as an eBusiness IT Architect for IBM in Washington DC & is pursuing his never ending search for a lifetime partner! You can pass on any leads or tips to him at ravi_r_kumar@hotmail.com

Vinod V (VV) moved to Infosys Technologies after a 6 year stint as a software engineer in the bay area. He continues to captivate crowds with his thunderous laughter and sheer jovial self. He recently married Lalitha and is settled in Chennai. Look forward to hearing more from VV soon...

Bhooma Rajanarayanan (Bhooma) completed her Pharmacy degree from BITS, and is now working for Indian Immunologicals as a product manager in India.

After completing his M.M.S from BITS, **Kausthub Desikachar (Boing)** decided to become a full time yoga teacher, following the footsteps of his Dad & Guru. He obtained a p.g. diploma in yoga from the Krishnamacharya Yoga Mandiram. Today he is a senior teacher himself, and globe trotting spreading the message of yoga. He lives in Madras with his wife, Lakshmi and their 6-month old daughter Sraddha.

B.V. Anil Kumar (BV) went on to finish his MBA in Pharmaceutical Marketing in Mumbai and is now into the Product / Brand Management work. He is currently working with Intas Pharmaceuticals, India as a Sr. Therapy Executive and can be contacted at 079-7458929.

Mahesh Subramanian (a.k.a Masu from the Eco group) worked in Bangalore for a couple years, completed his MS and is now working for Intuit in Mountain View, CA. He is still the ever enthusiastic best 5-year planner in town & has recently been making waves in the bachelor's market (rumor is he has finally found his true love!). He would love to hear from friends at masu@rocketmail.com

Sriram Padmanabhan (Ponnu) went to MICA (Ahmedabad) after BITS and worked in market research from 1998 till 2001. As if one master's degree wasn't enough, he is now in the second year of his MBA at the NYU Stern School of Business, New York. He likes bicycling, swimming, being outdoors in general... and listens to the same old music.

Ganesh Panchapagesan (PG), who did his ET from BITS, is now working for Oracle in their India Development Center at Hyderabad. He would love to

hear from his friends who can call him at 91-040-23122600, Extn: 2679.

Sakthieswaran P (powerman, sakthi) always had the motto - Lets make things better. Needless to say Phillips was an obvious choice for him. From being a valuable contributor at APOGEE to group activities, Sakthi has come a long way. He recently married Innahai and is based out of Eindhoven(Netherlands).

Arvind Krishnamurthy (aravi) works with Synopsys out of Bangalore (India). After several years in France and other parts of the world, Aravi finally decided to settle in Bangalore. He is happily married to Anusha and has a son Sundar.

1993

Smitha Menon is in California working on a state welfare project. Smitha is married to Shailendra Sadera ('92).

Mathangi Gopalakrishnan (a.k.a matha) is married to Venkatesh Atul Bhattaram ('90).

Priya Ramachandran is pursuing MA in Film & Video at the American University, Washington, D.C. Priya is married to Tojo Thomas.



Lakshmi Krishnan (a.k.a Lux) works for GE Financial, Hyderabad & Bangalore, India. Lux is as always the fun -loving, inquisitive, and experimental gal that we knew in BITS. Lux writes in, "I am having fun at the job, and it is really challenging and rewarding!" She is soaring to new heights in her career and may well tie the knot soon!

Sharda Ramdas works for Citibank NA in London, UK. She is married to K. Lakshminarayanan ('89).

Karthik Ramani (a.k.a Karamani) is pursuing his Ph.D in Pharmaceutical Sciences at SUNY in Buffalo, New York.

Kaarthik Sivakumar (a.k.a Kash) graduated with an M.S in Computer Science from the University of Delaware. He works for Ericsson IP Infrastructure in Rockville, Maryland. Congratulations to Kash who recently tied the knot with Ashwini ('97).

M O Bhadrinarayanan (a.k.a. MOB) completed his MSc in Computer Science from Queens University in Kingston, Canada. He works at the IBM Toronto Lab in Canada.

Srikumar (a.k.a Sriks) completed his M.S in Pharmacy at the National University of Singapore. He is pursuing a PhD in Pharmaceutics at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

P. Chandramouliswaran (a.k.a Kocha) completed his M.S in Mechanical Engineering at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana. After graduation in 1999, he worked for Cummins Engine Co., Columbus, Indiana for about 3 years. Kocha is now pursuing his M.B.A at the University of Chicago, Illinois. He says "I am still on the lookout for eligible mates"- Take a cue girls, this is one eligible bachelor!

Bhaskar Viswanathan (a.k.a Mami, Byle) completed his Maters in Pharmacy at BITS,Pilani and a Masters Diploma in Business Administration (Marketing & Finance). He now works as a Product Development Executive in Oral Care Business with HLL, Mumbai, India.

Vinodh Shankar completed his M.S in Operations Research & Industrial Engineering from University of Texas at Austin. Vinodh and his wife Deepa Nagarajan work for FedEx in Memphis, Tennessee.

Mukund Ramachandran (MRC) moves to Yahoo! Hot Jobs, NYC to take up the position of Assoc. Product Marketing Manager. He has been working for Yahoo! since 2001 after graduating from Thunderbird University. Good Luck with your new job Mukund and give us the insider on the best jobs before they hit the market !!

Janani Varadarajan (a.k.a Jan) completed her Masters in Molecular genetics and Microbiology at the University of Texas, Austin and is now pursuing her PhD in Botany and Plant Pathology at Purdue University. Janani says she and her husband Muthukumar Balasubramaniam also a doctoral student at Purdue Univ, spend most of their waking hours doing research!

After a technical writing stint in the software field, **Sagarika Srivatsan (a.k.a Sagi)** is pursuing her M.S in Journalism and Mass Communications. She writes "Out of the rat-race, I now juggle time watching my 2 year old, volunteering at the community center (teaching English to non-English speaking adults, writing material for a breast cancer awareness campaign in south east Asian countries) and studying for a master's degree." Sagarika lives with her husband Srivatsan and daughter Vidusha in the Bay Area.

Sayee Priyadarshini Thyagarajan (a.k.a sayee) is pursuing her Ph.D in Biochemistry and Molecular Bio logy at the University of Texas, Houston after completing her ME Biotech at BITS,Pilani. She is married to **Avinash Kalsotra** ('95). Sayee writes in "Avinash & I just passed our qualifiers, and now can devote our time to full-time Research!" Congratulations to Sayee & Avinash!

Jayant Dhotkar (Chemical) worked with Reliance after passing out from BITS, worked with Reliance Industries. He then completed an MBA in Mktg from Symbiosis, Pune. Currently he is working as an Area Sales Manager in Perfetti, an Italian confectionery company. Though he is based in Bangalore he covers part of AP (Telangana and Rayalaseema). His current

MBO is to master Telegu beyond some unprintable words.

R Ganesh (MMS) completed his MBA in Finance from Arizona State Univ in 2001 and is working in Santa Monica, California with a Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trust in Fixed Income Analysis. Here is one person who is REALLY looking forward to summer.

Dexter is working as a management consultant at Deloitte Touche Tomahatsu India Pvt.Ltd.

Rajneesh Raina is the latest among the long line of our batchmates who have tied the knot recently. He was married on Nov 27th, 2002 to Rajashri. Congrats Rajju and Raj!! Need any advice for a happy married life?

M.A. Ranjith (a.k.a MAR) works for Servion Global Solutions, Chennai, India.

1994

Meenakshi Nagarajan (Chikku), after a 2 year stint with Infosys, Bangalore, she did her MS in Management Information System from UIC. She is working with a marketing and sales-force consulting firm, ZS Associates based in Chicago.

Subha Chandrasekaran, after graduating from BITS, went on to XLRI to complete her MBA. Joined CitiBank and right now she is busy Corporate Banking and juggling exports and imports for her customers. Met the man of her dreams in XLRI, Vinay Krishnan and now she is happily married and settled in Bangalore.

Deepa Poduval completed her Masters in from Dartmouth, New Hampshire. She is working with Lukens Energy Group. She is married to Rajesh of the 89 batch and they are based in Houston.

Satish Ramanathan (rsat) : After finishing his Masters in Oklahoma state, he is working for Mainsoft in San Jose. r_sat@hotmail.com

Subramanian Hariharan (hsubs) : Completed his Masters in Oklahoma state and is currently working for Bloomberg, New York. Subbu77@yahoo.com

Naveen Prabhakar (napra) : Did his Masters in North

Carolina and is currently working for Bloomberg, New York.

Sushil Chetal (kalli): Has been employed with Citibank and working in New York City. He got married recently.

Visveish Ramanathan (kopine): Currently working for CTS (Cognizant) based in Madras, but almost permanently in the US. visveish@yahoo.com

Hari Natarajan (hari): Did his Masters in Texas A&M, and after a brief stint in a startup company, is working for i2 technologies in Dallas.



Deepak A Kariyakar (kodi): Is working as a consultant in i2 technologies (Dallas) after his Industrial engineering masters at PennState. deepbitz@yahoo.com

Janarthanan Venkataraman (koja): After his Masters in Texas A&M, he got employed in Siemens, Orlando. One of the very few that is loyal to his undergrad discipline. His is married to Vidya of the same batch.

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Srinivasan Venugopalan (Chinu), Pursuing MS (IE) from Univ of Texas, Arlington. srinivasan_venug@yahoo.com

Anush Sundar (Ganush). Graduated in MS(IE) from Virginia Tech, VA. He is currently working for Qualcomm Corp, San Diego, CA. anush_sundar@yahoo.com

Samir Agarwal : is a software professional at TCS, Calcutta. Presently he is in Washington DC, USA on an assignment. He is married to his school sweetheart and is happily settled in Calcutta.

Hardik Chokshi: is a budding business consultant with TCS after completing his MBA from Indian School of Business (ISB), Hyderabad. Before taking up his MBA he was working with Wipro Systems for 3 years. He is getting married in late Feb '03 to his sweetheart, Padmaja, whom he found 3 years ago at WIPRO.

Anirudha Patil: is a consultant with Boston Consulting Group (BCG) in Munich, Germany. He completed his MBA from IIM-A. He had a short stint with Reliance Industries after graduating from BITS.

Krishna Mamidipaka: is employed by IBM as a consultant in their Supply Chain Management group. Presently he is based in Detroit, working on a project for Chrysler Corporation. He completed his Masters in Industrial Engineering from Texas A&M University.

Senthil C (Coop) is currently employed as a software engineer with Verizon in Maryland coop_cs@yahoo.com

Sundararajan Sowrirajan (Sundi): He joined the Tata Consultancy Services at Chennai after graduation and worked with them for two years. Lack of job satisfaction and a desire to learn more motivated him to pursue graduate studies. He then moved to California in 2000 to pursue Masters in Computer Science at the University of California, Irvine. He is one of the first members of the newly formed BITSAA Southern California chapter and is in-charge for Sponz and Finances. sundie@rocketmail.com

Manoj Parthasarathy (DOS): After graduating in 1998, DOS

joined LearningByte at Hyderabad. After a couple of years there, he moved to their US office, which was bought over by DigitakThink. Currently he is working with DigitakThink, an e-Learning company based out of San Francisco as a Solutions Architect. He would love to get in touch with Bitsians in the bay area. (pmanoj007@hotmail.com)

1995

Manjari Mehta: I finished M.Sc. Tech in Information Systems in 1999. I accepted a RA position at Washington University, St. Louis in the Computer and Electrical Engg. Department, to pursue a Ph.D. Within a year, I moved to University of Houston and joined the Ph.D. program in MIS (Management Info. Sys.) at the Bauer College of Business. In 2001, Aneesh and I got married (finally :) and are in here in Houston for the past 3 years.

Dokka Jagannadha Raja (95B3A4): is working with Infosys Technologies straight out of BITS since July 2000

Anshika Bajaj: After completing my B.Pharm and M.Sc. in Biological Sciences I joined University of Rochester, NY for a Phd. program in Biochemistry and Biophysics. I am in my third year now. The first two years in Rochester have been great. I got married to Rahul who is a graduate student in the Dept of Computer Science. Life has been good all the way for me and I hope the same for others too.

Srinivas Pullagujju (a.k.a PSR), 95C6: I generously accepted a Master's degree in Computer Science that Florida State University had to present me. I could have been representing Indian cricket side at the world cup, but since I am

busy helping out Bill at Microsoft, our guys will have to do it without me. All the best Sachin!!!!!!!

Manik Reddy P (95A5) is currently pursuing his Ph.D in Medicinal Chemistry (Pharmaceutical Sciences) at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is expecting to graduate by the end of August 2003. He could be the first Ph.D from the 95 batch.

Jaydeep Naha: Passed out in 1999, with a CGPA of 9.72. Presently I'm with Siemens AG: Power Generation Division. Based out of New Delhi, I travel frequently to Germany, U.S.A., Holland, Austria and France. Job involves Designing of Power Plants. My previous projects have been in USA, China, Ireland and Israel. Currently, I am involved in a project in Cologne in Germany. I have also been appointed as the Corporate Communicator from this location. I have to attend conferences and meetings, and do presentations on Communications Strategy in Siemens as a Global Network of Innovation. Recently, visited Detroit and Orlando in the US for such purposes. I have also been promoted to the Designation of Senior Engineer in a record time of 3 years in Siemens. That is a part of the Technical achievement in Siemens. Currently, I am also the Cricket Captain for the official Siemens side. Also, I am the Editor in Chief for the Siemens Magazine - SPEL-BOUND. One past achievement: I was awarded (along with 7 other students) the Eveready Scholarship as one of the brightest engineering students in India (national basis) from 1995 to 1999.

Muralidhar G (B4A3337) Joined IBM after passing out from BITS and currently working with GE India Technology Centre, Bangalore. Another Cricket freak..

Subhash Balam (B1A3542): After graduating from BITS joined Motorola India Electronics Limited where I was working for 2 years. Currently pursuing MS at University of Illinois at Chicago.

Rahul Koul a.k.a BUDDA (95B2A4): A dual degree from BITS was enough for my grey

cells. :-). Joined Seranova from campus to work in web-technologies.....a brief stint with Orbitech and now the bread and butter of yours truly is being borne by Infosys (Mangalore-India). Kashmir still remains a passion with me and so does bollywood and music

Sonali Vasekar (95A1): Managed to crack some deals for Wipro Infotech as a marketing executive in Mumbai. Moved to Mahindra British Telecom to focus on software life cycles, and ended up enjoying a paid vacation in the UK for a year :) Am currently working with Guidant - Minneapolis and spending most of what I earn in watercolors, paintbrushes and skiing lessons! Hope it all pays off someday.

Rajeev Reddy Tummala (95A1): Current working as Senior Technical Member in Wilco Hyderabad. Right after passing out of BITS in 1999 joined TCS and then in 2000 Nov moved to Wilco, Hyderabad

Subodh A: After graduating from BITS in June 2000, I joined the ECE Dept. of the University of Illinois at Chicago to pursue my Masters in VLSI Design. After 2 years in Chicago, I made a job in Intel and moved to Phoenix, AZ. That was a welcome change from the cold plains of the north to the hot southwest desert. Astronomy and friends are my favorite things in life.

P.V.U. Ram Sirish: Passed out as a B.Pharm (Hons) graduate in 1999. But had something more to do at BITS: Joined M.E. (Software Systems) in 1999 as a Teaching Assistant... Finished in 2001 and joined Modena Software India Pvt. Ltd., Delhi. After 1 year of work experience in Java, thought of exploring something different and joined Infosys Technologies Ltd, Hyderabad where I am writing this from right now.

Vasumathy (95B2A8): I'm currently with Infosys Technologies Ltd. I'm working on the VOIP domain for customer Cisco at the moment. I'm married to Anantha Sankaran on April 11th 2002.

Radha Krishna Murthy (radha) B3A6, joined the then booming corporate world by entering into CitiGroup(COSL,

Now Orbitech). Got an opportunity to work in Citibank London and New York and now currently helping out Citi to manage its cash efficiently and effectively.

Phaneendra Kumar V (phani) B3A7: After my graduation from BITS I worked in Synopsys - Bangalore for two years. Currently pursuing my Masters at State University of New York - Buffalo and getting freed here in Buffalo.

Yugandhar Dasari: I am presently working in US Positioning, and whiling away time playing around with satellites and doing my masters from ASU, never moving out of phoenix. This MS never seems to end. Rest in peace.

Surjith Reddy G (95A1): After a successful role as STUCCAN of 'Spec n Audi' at BITS Surjith joined IIM, Calcutta. He is now the COO of Contiloe films, Mumbai. Contiloe films is into TV production and he is currently planning to get into movies as well.

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Dindi Kesava Rao (Chebbu) works for iflex Mumbai. Was in Malaysia for about 2 years on project work.

Kiran Kumar Jinka (Jinka, 96A1PS211) is working with Mahindra British Telecom, Mumbai.

Anand Bharadwaj (AB, Andy, Andu, anything else?) finished his MBA from IIM Calcutta and is selling hair oils and edible oils to hordes of Indians for Marico Industries, Mumbai

Rajarshi Chakravorty is working as a Management Trainee at Reckitt Benckiser, Mumbai after finishing his MBA from IIM, Lucknow.

Ranjith (96A2PS383) works for AmSoft Systems, New Delhi.

Bhuvan Gupta, Deepak Nohwal, Madhav Vodnala are working with Fiorano Software Inc., New Delhi. Deepak is working as Team Leader and looking to hire good-looking girls for his team.:-))) (The guys of his office are queuing up to join his team!).

Kiran Chandra Z (Z aka Z-Ki, 96A7PS037) is working as Sr.