

MANIFESTO

RAJAT VARSHNEY, DUGC Student Nominee (CE)

INTRODUCTION & VISION

I am **Rajat Varshney (11575)** and I am contesting for the post of **DUGC Student Nominee, Civil Engineering Department**.

Being the voice of my fellow students, I would try to bring about changes in the academic curriculum making it more useful for students and bringing changes in method of instruction for the betterment of department students. I also plan to strengthen student – faculty bonds by means of this responsibility.

MISSION

If elected, I shall try to implement the following during my tenure based upon the feasibility, and shall base my work along these lines:

- To build a better process of **Student's review towards a Faculty Member**, during the semester so that students can mail the HOD or DUGC any grievances about the faculty without being afraid of any consequences.
- To increase the popularity of the department within the students by **inculcating internship/research opportunities** with the help of Faculty members' contacts in different universities across the globe.
- To try and convince the faculty members to provide the possibility of a Dual Major in Civil Engineering Department from Y11 batch itself.
- To **prepare an E-Book database** having course specific text books and ask the faculty members for their support to keep it rich and updated.
- Request DUGC Convenor to **circulate brief minutes** of DUGC meeting among the students to keep them informed about the happenings.
- I would also propose to provide **flexibility in departmental courses** so that a student can predefine his priorities starting from 4th semester only.
- After the grades are distributed the students are mailed the **grading criteria** in all the courses.
- Possibility of **changes in the course structures** so that students are more exposed towards field condition rather than just theory.

CREDENTIALS

- **Head, Start-up Internship Program (SIPP)**, Entrepreneurship Cell, IIT Kanpur (Feb, 2013 - Present)
- **Overall Coordinator, DesCon** Hobby Group, IIT Kanpur
- Hall Captain of Hall 5 "Spectrum'13", a Films and Media Festival, IIT Kanpur
- **Student Guide** at Counselling Service, IIT Kanpur.
- **Academic Mentor** at Counselling Service, IIT Kanpur.
- Secretary of Animation Club, IIT Kanpur.