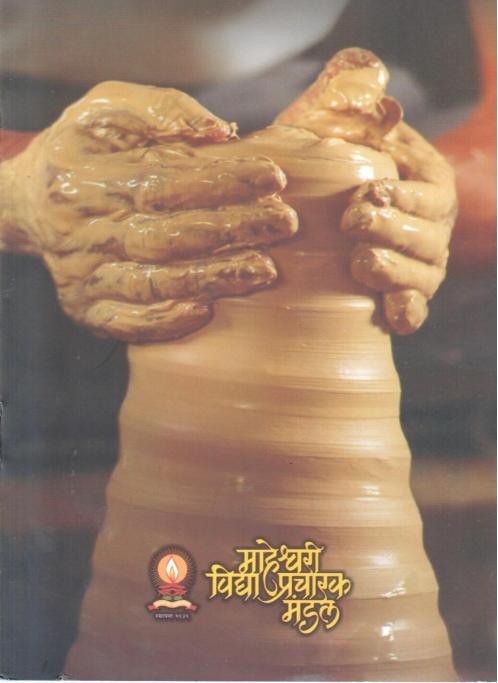
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Maheshwari community is considered to be one of the leading business communities in India. Economic contribution of Maheshwaris has been well acknowledged. Maheshwari community has always been a highly progressive community. While being at the forefront of business, industry and trade, Maheshwaris have achieved exceptional feats in educational pursuits too. Maheshwaris are among top class engineers, doctors, scientists, civil servants, jurists, legal luminaries etc. But business achievements of Maheshwaris are so overwhelming that the community's academic achievements go unnoticed. Having realized this, Maheshwari Vidya Pracharak Mandal (MVPM) decided to make its humble contribution towards amending this perception.

MVPM Scholar award is aimed at giving academic recognition to the community which it deserves. It rewards excellence in academic pursuits through a one time monetary reward of Rs 50,000 and a certificate of merit. MVPM Scholars are identified from among Maheshwari students across the country pursuing BE/B. Tech, ME/M.Tech, MCA, MBBS, MD/MS, MBA, CA, ICWAI, Ph.D (any discipline). Six scholars with consistently outstanding academic credentials have been selected through a rigorous process carried out by an eminent jury comprising of very senior industry professionals and academicians.



"Excellence is a better teacher than mediocrity. The lessons of the ordinary are everywhere. Truly profound and original insights are to be found only in studying the exemplary."

- Warren Bennis,

American scholar & pioneer of the contemporary field of leadership studies.



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#### The Selection Process

- Publicity for seeking applications was done through community organizations & their magazines, posters in community hostels, MVPM website etc.
- Applications were invited from final year/ passed students of BE/B. Tech, ME/M.Tech, MCA, MBBS, MD/MS, MBA, CA, ICWAI, Ph.D (any discipline) in a specified format. Last date for receiving applications at MVPM office was 31st July 2013
- Applications were scrutinized by MVPM Scholar Committee to ensure that all applications meet specified eligibility norms.
- Application summary was forwarded to a panel of jury.
- Jury panel met at MVPM office on 17th November 2013. They discussed, debated & decided following criteria for selection.
  - 1. Academic performance, up to graduation.
  - 2. Academic performance at graduation/higher level
  - 3. Professional contribution, besides academics
  - 4. Extra curricular performance with academic value
- Jury recommended six names for MVPM Scholar award from among all eligible applicants, after telephonic interviews.
- 'MVPM's Maheshwari Scholar 2013' awards presented on 19th January 2014.

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## The Jury

#### Shri Kuldip Joshi

An alumnus of prestigious Xavier Labor Relations Institute, Jamshedpur, Shri Joshi is a renowned management consultant offering advise to several well known organizations. In the past, Shri Joshi has worked in organizations like Kirloskar Electric, Philips India, Sandvik Asia, Bharat Forge and Alfa-Laval. He is recognized as a guide for doctoral programme of University of Pune. He is an Executive Coach for Top Leadership Programme at Indian School of Business, Hyderabad. Shri Joshi has a deep involvement in community development activities.

#### Shri Girish Trivedi

Shri Girish Trivedi had a long and highly successful inning in the industry. He is a Mechanical Engineer from M.S. University, Baroda and obtained MS from University of California, USA. He has also done Advanced Management Programme from Harvard Business School. He has worked as Managing Director of Thermax Babcock & Wilcox Ltd and also Thermax DeVilbiss Ltd. Other companies where he has worked include Alfa Laval, SLM — Maneklal, L & T, Metaframe Corps, USA & Burroughs Groups, USA. Since 2007, Shri Trivedi has been involved in building organizations of varied scales ranging from 1000 Cr plus to small and medium scale companies.

#### Dr Mukta Umarji

Dr Umarji is a renowned Gynecologist in Pune. Dr Umarji specializes in Infertility, & Complicated Delivery. She holds M.D. & DGO. She was a gold medalist in University of Pune. She has also obtained a Diploma in Advanced Endoscopy in Gynecology from Germany. She has published research papers at National & International Conferences. Dr Umarji has occupied several eminent positions such as President of Pune Obstetrics and Gynecological Society, Vice President of Arogya Bharati-Paschim Prant, Secretary of Indian Menopause Society, Pune Chapter and Member of Executive Board of Indian Menopause Society, Pune Chapter.

Note: Profiles of jury appear in alphabetic sequence of their surnames.



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#### The Scholars



#### Shraddha Ashok Bhattad, Dhamtari, Chattisgarh

Shraddha passed Bachelors in Engineering examination in Computer Science and Engineering from Bhilai Institute of Technology. She earned a cumulative performance index of 9.71 and obtained her degree with honours. Shraddha earned the title of IBM DB2 Academic Associate upon successfully passing IBM examination. She was selected in campus interviews by Tata Consultancy Services. However, having passed Graduate Aptitude Test (GATE) in the subject of Computer Science & Information

Technology with 320th all India rank from among more than 2.24 lakh students, she is pursuing M.Techin Computer Science at Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai.



#### Shantanu Omprakash Mundhada, Amravati, Maharashtra

Shantanu obtained B.Tech in Engineering Physics from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Guwahati with a cumulative grade point average of 8.84. He is currently pursuing MS & Ph.D at Yale University, which is rated as one of the top universities in the world. Shantanu is pursuing research in Quantum Computation which is aimed at development of next generation computers. For this, he has received university fellowship. Earlier too he was a recipient of institute merit scholarship at IIT, Guwahati. He has

successfully participated in Physics & Astronomy Olympiads at National level. He is an avid sportsman and has participated in several swimming competitions.



#### Namita Shivkumar Porwal, Jaipur, Rajasthan

Namita obtained B.Tech in Computer Science & Engineering from International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Hyderabad with a cumulative grade point average of 9.07. She was included in Dean's List of Excellence for 7 semesters at IIIT. She has presented two research papers. One of her papers was placed among top 10 papers at IBM Web Technical Contest. She is an avid sports person with special interest in Table Tennis. Namita is currently working with Microsoft Technologies, Hyderabad for

which she was selected in campus interview at IIIT. She is working on next generation products of Microsoft.



#### Dr Sahas Rajesh Rathi, Thane, Maharashtra

Dr Sahas did research in Polymer Science & Engineering and obtained M.S. and Ph.D degrees from University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA. Department of Polymer Science of University of Massachusetts is rated as number 1 by US News & World Report and number 2 out of all Material Science departments by the National Research Council, USA. He obtained B.Tech in Chemical Technology from Institute of Chemical Technology, University of Mumbai with first position. He was

awarded Santos Go Outstanding Award for performance in M.S & Ph.D. qualifying examination. He is also a recipient of Sir Ratan Tata Trust Scholarship for academic excellence during B.Tech for three consecutive years. He holds a patent for a blend composition, flexible tubing material and method of making the blend. He has published papers in reputed international journals with high impact factor. He has also presented papers in National & International conferences. He had won The Best Solution Prize sponsored by Dow Chemicals in Young Innovators' Choice Competition for the industrial problem. Currently he is working as Senior Research Engineer at Saint Gobain Innovative Materials, USA.



#### Radhika Rajgopal Sarda, Latur, Maharashtra

Radhika became a Chartered Accountant at a young age of 22 by passing CA — final exam with 61% marks. She has also secured second rank in merit in B.Com in University of Pune. She has multi faceted academic interests. She has done several courses in varied disciplines such as Hardware Engineering, French Language, Journalism, Information Security & Ethical Hacking and Capital Market & Derivative Market modules from National Stock Exchange. Her future plan includes pursuing post graduation in

management from a top business school and setting up a media house.



#### Dr Sneha Purushottam Sikchi, Aurangabad, Maharashtra

Dr Sneha has completed M.D. in Anesthesiology from Government Medical College, Aurangabad. She won a gold medal for securing first rank in Maharashtra University of Health Sciences. After securing merit rank 10 in standard 12th examination, she did MBBS from Government Medical College, Aurangabad. She has published a research paper in the prestigious Journal of Evolution Medicine & Dental Sciences. She has presented research papers in various conferences. Her paper won

first prize in IRCON 2012. At present she is attached with Grant Medical College & Sir J.J. Group of Hospitals, Mumbai. Her future plan includes pursuing D.M. in Critical Care.



Note: Profile of scholars appear in alphabetic order of their surnames.

Excellence is an art won by training and habituation. We do not act rightly because we have virtue or excellence, but we rather have those because we have acted rightly. We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act but a habit.

- Aristotle, Greek philosopher

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#### The Sponsors

Maheshwari Vidya Pracharak Mandal acknowledges generous financial support of sponsors who contributed Rs 50,000 each towards MVPM Scholar 2013 awards.

#### Shri Brijmohanji Bhutada

Shri Brijmohanji Bhutada is a first generation entrepreneur. He is the founder of Alok Group of Industries, which is renowned for precision engineering. The company is a supplier to domestic as well as global industries of repute.

#### Shri Kailashji H Biyani

Shri Kailashji Biyani is a financial wizard. He seats on the board of many reputed companies. He is also advisor to many high net-worth individuals and corporates for their financial strategies.

#### Shri Sushilji Karwa

Shri Sushilji Karwa is heading Krishidhan Seeds. A research driven organization, Krishidhan Seeds Private Limited is a pioneer & dynamic agricultural biotech company delivering high quality seeds for the Indian seeds market.

#### Shri Shrikantji Mohanlalji Kasat

Shri Shrikantji Kasat is one of the torch bearer of renowned Shivnarayanji Ramnathji Kasat family which has diversified interests ranging from packaging unit in Dubai to businesses in textiles, pharmacy & financial sectors.

#### Shri Rajeshji Omkarnathji Malpani

Shri Rajeshji Malpani is heading the Malpani Group of Sangamner. The Malpani family is known not only for its successful businesses but also for its social contribution in educational, medical, sports and cultural sectors.

#### Shri Shriramji Soni

Shri Shriramji Soni is a financial wizard and a renowned philanthropist. He has been rendering valuable support to several social causes. He is also known for providing financial and moral support to budding entrepreneurs.

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By appreciation, we make excellence in others, our own property.

- Voltaire, French enlightenment writer, historian and philosopher

If a man empties his purse into his head, no man can take it away from him. An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.

- Benjamin Franklin, American statesman, scientist and philosopher.

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## **The Award Ceremony**

On Saturday, 19th January 2014, the MVPM Scholar awards being presented at the hands of eminent personalities. Each awardee has been presented a cash award of Rs 50,000 and a citation at the hands of Chief Guest Shri Anand Rathi, Chairman, Anand Rathi Financial Services Ltd., Mumbai and Guest of Honour, Dr. Rajat Moona, Director General, Center for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Pune.

Shri Anand Rathi is a prominent name in India's financial services sector. He is a gold medalist Chartered Accountant with over 40 years of experience. Before establishing his own enterprise, Shri Rathi was associated with the Birla Group. At 35, he became the President of Indian Rayon (now known as Aditya Birla Nuvo). Outstanding professionalism and earnest dedication made him a core member of the legendry late Shri Aditya Birla's business group, where he was actively involved in all strategic initiatives. Seizing the opportunity when professionals were allowed membership of the Bombay Stock Exchange Shri Rathi became its member and when the exchange professionalized, he became its President in 1999. As the President, BSE, Shri Rathi was the driving force behind expansion of BOLT - the online trading system. He also set up the Trade Guarantee Fund and played a vital role in setting up the Central Depository Services Ltd (CDSL). As a veteran in the financial services industry, Shri Rathi is not just a renowned face in the financial circuits, but is also among the most sought-after speakers on macroeconomic matters related to policies, manufacturing, and their socio-economic impact. He is also very popular socially, and is active in philanthropy and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

Dr Rajat Moona is a leading scholar in computer science and engineering. He obtained B.Tech in Electrical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur. He was awarded Ph.D. in Computer Science & Automation by Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore. He is a full professor in the department of Computer Science & Engineering at IIT, Kanpur since 1991. Dr Moona has also been a Visiting Fellow at the world leading Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA. Dr Moona has seven patents to his credit. He has presented and published several research papers in prestigious international conferences & journals. He has also authored books on Parallel Processing and Assembly Language Programming. In recognition of his research, Dr Moona was offered the prestigious Poonam and Prabhu Goel Chair Professorship by IIT Kanpur in 2008 and he has been a recipient of Indo-US Science and Technology Fellowship. He had also been a senior Engineering Manager in Mentor Graphics India during 2002-04 where he led a team to develop a

Mentor Graphics. Dr Moona along with his students and National Informatics Centre has defined the Key Management System and layout of the data in smart cards used by various government departments. Currently, Dr Moona heads the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) in capacity of Director General and leads C-DAC's initiatives in the areas of High Performance Computing, Multimedia Computing, Professional Electronics, Free and Open Source Software, Cyber Security & Cyber Forensics, Health Informatics, e-Governance and Education & Training. Very recently, the prestigious VASVIK Award has been conferred upon him for his contributions to the advancement of Information and Communication Technologies.



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#### MVPM at a Glance

Maheshwari Vidya Pracharak Mandal (MVPM) has been rendering valuable service to Maheshwari community for over 85 years. Based in Pune, the Oxford of the East, MVPM is registered as a charitable society. MVPM is a multi-faceted organization running hostels, schools & colleges. MVPM hostels for boys & girls at Pune & Mumbai are highly sought after by the student community. Schools & colleges established by MVPM at Pune & Solapur are acknowledged for their academic excellence and top class infrastructure. MVPM conducts various personality and skill development programmes for children as well as housewives. True to its mission of promoting education, MVPM also extends financial assistance to a large number of deserving and needy students through various scholarship schemes.

#### **The Genesis**

Three visionaries from Maharashtra, Late Shri Laxminarayanji Jaju of Satara, Late Shri Rao Bahadur Hanmantaramji Rathi of Pune and Late Shri Kishanlalji Lahoti of Karad laid the foundation of Maheshwari Vidya Pracharak Mandal in the year 1929. As the name suggests, the mission of the Mandal has always been to create & provide facilities for the upcoming generations, by establishing educational institutions and hostels, to empower them to expand their knowledge base and professional skills to face the challenges of changing times.

#### **Objectives**

- (a) The spread of education to the youth from all strata of the society.
- (b) Creation of facilities like educational institutions and hostels, at places where none existed before.
- (c) Provision of scholarships, loan scholarships, prizes and free-ships to needy and meritorious youth.
- (d) Empowerment of ladies of the community by providing them with opportunities to take up courses in formal & non-formal education
- (e) Inculcating values of ethics and self-reliance in the community.

#### MVPM : Activities

Est	ablished	Year	Branch Name	Description	Capacity
		1929	R.B.H.R. Rathi V. Bhavan, Pune	Girls Hostel	88 Students
		1929	MVPM Scholarship Yojana	Corpus 1 cr.	Annual Distribution 450 students Rs.23 lacs
	महिल्म जिल्ला अनिक महिल्	1932	Late Manikbhau Kabra Kosh	Corpus 16 lacs.	Rs.400/-P.M distributed to 50 needy Persons
Na.	A	1940	Shri Murlidhar Sarda V.Bhavan, Ahmednagar	Boys Hostel	38 students
12.5		1945	Damani Vidya Mandir, Solapur (Marathi Medium)	Jr.KG To 10th	1555 students
	5	1962	V.N. Lahoti V. Bhavan, Pune	Boys Hostel	174 students
2000年		1965	Smt. L.L. Mundada V. Bhavan, Mulund	Boys Hostel	101 students
数ペ		1991	Nirantar Prashikshan Yojana	Women / Children training	10 to 100 students
	壬	1992	Mahesh English School, Solapur (English Medium)	Jr.KG To 7th	1167 students
100	1	1992	Mahesh Vidyalaya, Pune (Marathi Medium)	Jr.KG To 10th	625 students
3	V ja	1992	Mahesh Balbhavan, Pune	Sports Activities	1500 students
		1998	Late Dr Kalidas Malpani V. Bhavan, Loni	Boys Hostel	50 students
1 m		2001	Santokiram Ramsukh Chandak School, Solapur (English Medium)	8 To 10th	270 students
		2001	Mahesh English School, Pune (English Medium)	Jr.KG To 10th	700 students
D.		2004	H.R. Rathi V. Bhavan, Pune	Girls Hostel	109 students
		2006	D.H.B. Soni College, Solapur	BBA, BCA, BCS	360 students
4		2012	MVPM's Maheshwari Scholar	Engg. / Medicine / Management / Finance / Ph.D	6 Students

# Alumni Speak - The Awardees of 2012



#### Dr. Ashish Girdhari Bhutada, M.D., D.M.

"Getting award from my people and society makes it very special for me, this award reminds me my duty towards my profession and my society"

#### Vibhor Vinit Jajoo, B.Tech. (IT, BHU)

"Follow your dreams until you achieve it. Students in MVPM are very lucky to have such a great support"



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#### Dr Amrita Shriprakash Kalantri, MBBS

"This award for me means I work hard and return best to society."

#### Dr Shruti Rajgopal Mantri, M.D.

"Four important things in our life are confidence, truthfulness, have good friends and commitment to your work."





#### Nishant Rajgopal Totla, B.Tech. (IIT, Bombay)

"Think free and think innovative, respect each and every one because everyone has something special, don't waste time and don't lose focus."

## **MVPM's Maheshwari Scholar 2014**

Applications for MVPM Scholar Awards for 2014 are invited from Maheshwari students who are in the final year of BE/B. Tech, ME/M.Tech, MCA, MBBS, MD/MS, MBA, CA, ICWAI, Ph.D (any discipline) etc. programs. The scholars shall essentially have consistently outstanding academic credentials and shall be selected through a rigorous selection process carried out by an eminent jury. Last date for submission of applications in electronic and hard copy format with all supporting documents are 31st July and 16th August 2014 respectively. For details regarding eligibility, selection process, application form and address for correspondence, visit: www.mvpm.org

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