# **DARE TO DREAM**

Official Newsletter of WinVinaya Foundation



#### WinVinaya Utsav!

WinVinaya's 8th Utsav event "Welcome back WinVinaya" was a day filled with lots of fun, food and laughter. WinVinaya resumed it's operations offline at the office with the employees and consultants geared up to head back with great zeal and vigor. The whole WinVinaya family came together, with some of them in person and some of them virtually, it was a memorable day. Head out to the link to know more.

## WinVinaya Utsav!

Check out "Welcome back WinVinaya!" winvinayafoundation.org/ winvinaya-utsav-Oct-2021/

#### Grateful!

One of our candidates, Priyanka Kumari who got placed recently wrote back to us, expressing her joy and gratitude towards the foundation. Her words of thanks filled all of us at WVF with joy and gratitude for being able to help and impact the lives of so many candidates like her. Head out to the link below to read the testimonials of Priyanka and others!

https://winvinayafoundation.org/testimonials/



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#### **Impact Lives!**

Now you can impact lives just like we do right where you are!

Rs. 25k will help us train a candidate in Niche. Industry Ready skills like Software Development/ Core Banking. Your contribution will make a huge difference in the life of a candidate. Don't wait, head out to donate! Also, winvinayafoundation.org/

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if you are a recruiter, marching towards creating an inclusive workspace and looking for a creative & dynamic workforce, you can create a great impact by recruiting Persons with disabilities from us. We currently have 40+ candidates, trained and ready for placement; and 30+ candidates, currently undergoing training in IT Full Stack (ITFS) & Business Process Automation and Banking (BPA&B) who will be ready for placement in 2 months' time. As Helen Keller said, "...Together we can do so much." Join us and start impacting now!



#### Power BI Dashboard winvinayafoundation.org/ performance-reports/



#### Educonnect!

In our pursuit of Enabling an inclusive society, As you all know, we have also moved to train candidates while they are still in college through our Edu-connect initiative. We have reached out to our partners, TEACH, Mumbai, NISH, and Bishop Moore Kerala, and will be starting new batches from them soon.

#### Edu-Connect Program winvinayafoundation.org/ our-programs/

Blog winvinayafoundation.org/ blog/

#### **Corporate Collaboration**

We have joined hands with many Corporate giants who came forth to volunteer in conducting comprehensive Mock Interviews (Technical, HR) for our candidates, mentor and guide them about various aspects of Work-life and make them corporate ready, guiding them to the skills required to make them better individuals. Volunteers from another MNC are co-creating training modules. Volunteers do create an amazing impact!



To Volunteer winvinayafoundation.org/ volunteer/

### **CANDIDATE OF THE MONTH**

"Optimism is essential to achievement, and it is also the foundation of courage and true progress." - Nicholas M Butler



Lepakshi is a fun-loving, cheerful girl. An engineering graduate in electronics and communication from the University Visweswaraya College of Engineering, Bengaluru. She has been working as an infrastructure developer at an MNC for 2 years now and is a person with a congenital hand deformity.

About her journey growing up, Lepakshi said that she loved painting and sketching as a child and still does. Her other hobbies include reading novels and listening to music. One of her biggest challenges was breaking the language barrier as she had studied in Kannada medium till class 7 and transitioning to English medium and learning from class 8 was not an easy task for her but as she went on to college and work, she stayed positive, worked towards it and overcame the hurdle.

Talking about the lockdown and Work from Home, she said she misses commuting to the office, spending time with her friends, working in the office, and has to juggle with work and work at home. She also said she used her free time upskilling herself in technical skills and soft skills.

She said, her biggest strength is being optimistic and self-motivating in all situations and her support system is her sister as she always boosts her up whenever she feels low or lacks confidence and stands by her come what may. She aspires to be as hardworking and patient as her uncle someday.

Talking about WinVinaya Foundation, she said, it was of great help to her, she said what she liked a lot about WVF was how they encouraged her to self-learn and try things on her own. She gained technical skills and soft skills that helped her become better personally and technically. She added that the organization has helped her in increasing her confidence in attending interviews and is thankful for the opportunity through which she could get a job in an MNC.

About her future plans, she sees herself becoming a Team leader at her organization and wants to help other Persons with Disabilities by training them and helping them with their needs and requirements.

Her message to the readers is, – "Persons with Disabilities should not be looked down on or mistreated but should be given equal opportunities because having a disability does not mean the end." A profound message indeed.

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-LEPAKSHI

